REPORT

ON THE

ADMINISTRATION

OF THE

SALT AND CONTINENTAL CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT OF THE BOMBAY PRESIDENCY

FOR THE

OFFICIAL YEAR 1897-98,

WITH

APPENDICES AND MAPS.

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Acting Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay;

To

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Acting Commissioner of Customs, Salt,
Opium and Abkári, Bombay.

Poona, 15th August 1898.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report on the Administration of the Salt and Continental Customs Department for the year 1897-98.

INTRODUCTORY

Collector's Office.

2. Mr. J. L. Jenkins, I.C.S., the permanent Collector of Salt Revenue, was in charge of the Department throughout the whole of the year under report, except the last six days, when he proceeded on furlough, being relieved by me.

Deputy and Assistant Collectors' Offices.

3. The supervising staff, as in the previous year, consisted of one Deputy and ten Assistant Collectors, whose services were utilized in the manner shown below :—

Offices.	Officer in Charge.	Period.
Northern Division.		
Northern Frontier Range.	Mr. C. R. Macnamara	From the 1st April 1897 to the 6th July 1897.
	„ E. P. Close ..	From the 7th July 1897 to the 31st March 1898.
Khárághoda Range ...	„ H. G. Bulkley ...	Throughout the year.
Surat Range	„ H. M. Judge ..	Throughout the year.
Southern Division.		
Deputy Collector's Office.	Mr. T. M. Cotgrave ...	Throughout the year.
Thána Range	„ R. Thom	From the 1st April 1897 to the 17th March 1898.
	„ T. M. Cotgrave ...	From the 18th March 1898 to the 31st March 1898, in addition to his duties as Deputy Collector.
Uran Range	„ W. F. Jardine ...	From the 1st April 1897 to the 11th December 1897.
	„ T. M. Cotgrave ..	From the 12th December 1897 to the 30th December 1897, in addition to his duties as Deputy Collector.
	„ W. Lake	From the 31st December 1897 to the 6th March 1898.
	„ W. F. Jardine ...	From the 7th March to the 31st March 1898.
Ratnágiri Range ...	„ E. H. Aitken ...	Throughout the year.
Kánara Range ...	„ C. C. Jamsetji ..	Throughout the year.
Goa Frontier Range ...	„ C. A. Pogson ...	From the 1st April 1897 to the 26th October 1897.
	„ C. R. Brendon ...	From the 27th October 1897 to the 19th December 1897.
	„ C. A. Pogson ...	From the 20th December 1897 to the 31st March 1898.
Coast Guard Service ...	„ W. H. McCann ...	Throughout the year.
Chief Account Officer of Customs, Salt and Opium.	„ F. J. A Hill ...	From the 1st April to the 5th December 1897.
	„ Krishnarao Narsinh.	From the 6th December 1897 to the 5th January 1898.
	„ F. J. A. Hill	From the 6th January 1898 to the 18th March 1898.
	„ R. Thom	From the 19th to the 31st March 1898.

Strength of Department.

4. The changes in the Subordinate Establishment were as follows :—

(*a*) An establishment consisting of one Kárkun and three Peons were sanctioned under Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 6636 of the 4th September 1897, for the fish-curing yard newly opened at Ratnágiri.

(*b*) One Kárkun and three Peons were sanctioned under Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 6637 of the 4th September 1897, for the fish-curing yard newly opened at Deobág.

(*c*) Under Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 5596 of the 27th July 1897, one Peon paid for by the owner of a salt work in the Ghodbandar Táluka was struck off the list.

(*d*) The appointments of one Náik and eight Peons were reduced in the Balsár Táluka as they were vacant for more than a year, under Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 9311 of the 23rd November 1896.

The result of these changes is that the sanctioned strength of the whole establishment of the Department as it stood on the 31st March 1898 was as under :—

Collector	1
Deputy Collector of Salt Revenue	1
Assistant Collectors of Salt Revenue	10
Native Assistant to the Collector of Salt Revenue ...	1
Supervisor, Uran Distilleries	1
Assistant Supervisor, ditto ditto	1
Superintendents of Salt Depôts	4
Coast Guard Inspectors	15
Inspectors on the Frontiers and other places ...	31
Sarkárkúns, including Special Officer, Cambay, and Customs Manager, Castle Rock	35
Preventive Officers	9
Darogás	8
English Clerks, including Accountants, Gaugers, and a Compounder	115
Kárkuns, including Sajedárs and Bandar Kárkúns ...	645
Resaldár and Resaldárs	3
Sawárs	100
Petty Officers	446
Sepoys	4,492
Khallásis, watermen and meniais	435
	6,353

Details of the number of appointments of each description are as usual shown in Appendix I.

Summary of constitution and operations of the Department.

5. A summary of the constitution and operations of the Department as a whole (as shown in detail in Appendix II) is subjoined, the corresponding figures for 1896-97 being given for the purpose of comparison :—

	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Number of Supervising Officers	13	13	.....	.....
2. Number of Subordinate Establishment	6,212	6,360	.....	2
3. Number of Táluks	37	37	.....	.....
4. Number of salt-works	453	449	.....	4
5. Number of maunds of Salt dealt with ...	90,49,153	93,98,210	3,49,057	.....
6. Number of maunds of Salt exported and imported by sea and land on payment of Duty	85,55,318	88,00,655	2,14,837	.....
7. Number of maunds of salt delivered free and at nominal rate of Duty	4,93,335	5,97,585	1,04,250	.....
8. Number of Ports	35	35	.....	.....
9. Number of Vessels entered	82,310	80,125	.....	1,685
10. Do. cleared	80,307	75,611	.....	4,696
11. Value of goods imported by sea	2,58,49,675	2,61,49,915	3,00,240	.....
Do. exported by sea	3,04,87,179	3,06,29,375	1,42,196	.....
12. Number of Stills	47	47	.....	.....
13. Number of Gallons excised	1313,336	13,68,789	55,453	.....
14. Number of Offences enquired into	1,618	1,553	.....	65

General Financial Results.

6. The general financial results of the last year's administration as compared with those of the preceding six years are exhibited below :—

Year.	Gross Receipts.				Total Gross Receipts.
	Salt.	Sea Customs.	Land Customs.	Abkari.	Local Funds.	
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1891-92	2,26,87,849 15 5	17,501 3 5	13,699 7 4	15,75,475 9 0	77,379 10 8	2,43,23,904 13 10
1892-93	2,18,66,319 1 6	26,340 2 7	42,722 11 8	16,22,008 0 3	89,090 11 11	2,35,97,490 11 11
1893-94	2,13,55,340 8 7	28,230 11 7	32,213 2 0	15,63,434 5 11	90,756 4 1	2,22,70,793 0 2
1894-95	2,33,16,042 13 7	1,08,059 1 1	70,655 1 10	17,47,933 2 5	91,745 6 8	2,53,59,429 9 7
1895-96	2,34,74,091 13 0	1,07,137 10 9	75,308 15 1	16,19,766 8 9	91,796 13 1	2,45,71,180 12 8
1896-97	2,16,76,003 0 6	92,617 1 10	70,230 13 7	17,04,837 2 4	81,358 13 8	2,36,20,490 0 7
1897-98	2,22,82,621 5 3	1,01,018 1 3	79,680 8 5	19,50,107 9 2	81,348 15 0	2,44,97,576 7 10

Year.	Charges.			Refunds.	Total Charges after Refunds.	Net Receipts.	Percentage of Charges on Gross Receipts.
	Establishment.	Contingencies.	Total Charges.				
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1891-92 ..	9,05,136 8 7	7,91,421 3 4	17,36,557 11 11	1,19,231 15 0	18,45,789 11 8	2,24,77,293 2 2	5 4 10
1892-93 ..	9,77,748 7 9	7,29,703 12 3	17,07,452 4 0	1,21,716 10 10	18,29,168 14 10	2,17,68,244 13 1	5 14 5
1893-94 ..	9,85,301 11 1	7,16,893 6 3	17,02,192 1 4	1,00,368 10 7	18,02,558 11 11	2,14,67,234 4 3	8 7 10
1894-95 ..	10,39,056 4 9	6,56,103 8 1	17,35,160 12 10	1,51,193 5 1	18,86,407 2 8	2,34,73,019 6 1	8 13 10
1895-96 ..	11,19,834 10 3	6,86,576 1 6	18,16,411 11 7	95,307 2 1	19,01,973 13 7	2,26,69,235 15 1	8 3 11
1896-97 ..	13,86,681 7 10	6,46,479 0 7	18,33,172 8 5	1,22,625 14 2	19,55,798 6 7	2,16,64,691 10 0	8 10 5
1897-98 ..	12,52,943 0 7	6,10,040 11 11	18,62,983 12 6	88,385 5 2	19,51,369 1 8	2,25,46,207 6 2	8 11 6

7. It will be seen that the gross receipts though in excess of those of 1896-97 by 3·66 per cent. are less than those of 1895-96 and 1894-95. The average of the five years previous to that under report is Rs. 2,41,23,710 and the receipts of 1897-98 exceed that amount by 1·5 per cent., so that taking all the circumstances of the year into consideration the total receipts may be regarded as fairly satisfactory. The increase as compared with last year is shown under every head, but the receipts under "Land Customs" and "Abkári" only are in excess of those of 1895-96.

8. The total charges of the year exceed those of 1896-97 by 1·6 per cent. The expenditure of the Department appears to have been rising steadily since 1893-94, the increase being almost entirely under the head of Establishment. This is due to the fact that in consequence of the imposition of the Import Duties in 1893-94 certain additions had to be made in 1895-96 to the Account Office Establishment as well as to that at Castle Rock and at some of the Coast ports, and that in 1896-97 a heavy charge had to be met for grain compensation owing to the prevalence of scarcity. This charge was still further increased in the year under report when it had to be met for 12 months instead of only 5 in 1896-97. Deducting the amount paid for grain compensation the increase in the expenditure of the year under report is only Rs. 13,904.

9. The subjoined table gives, as in the previous reports, the items of receipts and expenditure distributed under the heads of Account, Salt, Customs, Abkári, Imperial and Provincial, as the case may be, and Local Funds, to which they have been credited and debited and is made the basis of the more detailed explanation of the causes of increase and decrease given under the heads of the report to which they relate :—

General Financial Results.

RECEIPTS.

	Salt.		Sea Customs.		Land Customs.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Imperial	2,16,67,185 8 7	2,22,39,741 13 10	82,235 0 0	93,057 7 10	76,030 13 7	78,580 8 5
Provincial	68,890 7 11	82,976 7 5	10,382 2 10	8,969 9 3	....	....
Local	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total ..	2,16,76,076 0 6	2,23,82,621 5 3	92,617 1 10	1,01,918 1 8	76,030 13 7	78,580 8 5

RECEIPTS—*continued.*

	Abkári.		Port Funds.		Total.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Imperial	12,78,237 14 2	14,62,480 10 11	....	....	2,30,43,689 [illegible] 4	2,38,03,963 9 0
Provincial	4,26,079 4 9	6,57,526 14 3	....	....	5,45,351 14 6	5,49,263 15 1
Local	....	....	81,358 13 9	84,348 15 9	81,358 13 9	84,348 15 9
Total ..	17,04,317 2 11	10,20,107 9 2	81,358 13 9	84,348 15 9	2,36,30,400 0 7	2,44,97,576 7 10

EXPENDITURE.

	Salt.		Sea Customs.		Allowances and Assignments.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Imperial	16,76,292 0 1	16,89,544 2 7	1,29,311 14 4	1,33,626 1 6	278 13 8	2,893 1 7
Provincial	....	....	....	....	13,974 14 0	14,006 11 1
Local	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total ..	16,76,292 0 1	16,89,544 2 7	1,29,311 14 4	1,33,626 1 6	14,254 11 11	16,899 12 8

EXPENDITURE—*continued.*

	Abkári.		Port Funds.		Total.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Imperial	33,016 1 8	28,948 5 9	....	....	18,39,900 6 6	18,60,009 11 5
Provincial	11,003 5 10	9,648 12 7	....	....	24,980 4 4	23,655 7 8
Local	....	....	b 70,817 11 9	a 73,673 14 7	b 76,817 11 9	a 73,673 14 7
Total ..	44,021 7 6	38,596 2 4	b 70,817 11 9	a 73,673 14 7	b 19,40,698 5 7	a 19,57,339 1 8

a Exclusive of Rs. 16,580-15-6 invested in Government Paper.
b Do. Rs. 69,328-1-3 do.

The increase or decrease under each head is shown below :—

RECEIPTS.

	Increase.				Decrease.			
	Imperial.	Provincial.	Local.	Total.	Imperial.	Provincial.	Local.	Total.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.
Salt	6,22,559 5 3	.....	.....	6,22,559 5 3	...	16,014 0 6	...	16,014 0 6
Sea Customs ...	10,822 7 10	.....	.....	10,822 7 10	...	1,521 8 2	...	1,521 8 6
Land Customs ...	2,549 10 10	.....	.....	2,549 10 10	...	.....	...	.....
Abkári	1,84,342 12 9	61,447 9 6	.....	2,45,790 6 3	...	.....	...	.....
Port Funds ...	.....	.....	2,990 2 0	2,990 3 0	...	.....	...	.....
Total ...	8,20,274 4 8	61,447 9 6	2,990 2 0	8,84,712 0 2	...	17,535 8 1	...	17,535 8 11

EXPENDITURE.

	Increase.				Decrease.			
	Imperial.	Provincial.	Local.	Total.	Imperial.	Provincial.	Local.	Total.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Salt	13,551 9 6	.....	...	13,551 9 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sea Customs ...	9,314 3 2	.....	...	9,314 3 2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Allowances and Assignments.	2,313 4 2	31 12 7	...	2,345 0 9	.....	.....	.....	.....
Abkári	.....	.....	...	.....	4,069 11 11	1,356 9 3	.....	5,426 5 2
Port Funds ...	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	3,143 13 2	3,143 13 2
Total ...	25,179 0 10	31 12 7	...	25,210 13 5	4,069 11 11	1,356 9 3	3,143 13 2	8,570 2 4

Remarks on General Results.

10. The figures given in the preceding paragraphs present a general view of the results of the operations of the Department during the year. On the whole these results may, I think, be regarded as satisfactory. In 1896-97 the receipts under all heads shewed a serious falling off, due, as pointed out by my predecesor in the last Administration Report, to plague, famine and dearness of money. This year the state of affairs is considerably better. If we take an average of the gross receipts during the five years previous to 1896-97, when the influence of the plague began to make itself felt, we see that the receipts under the main head "Salt" are in excess of that average by a small percentage. Under the heads "Land Customs" and "Abkári" the takings of the year under report are the highest yet recorded in the history of the Department. Under "Sea Customs" the revenue, though larger than in 1896-97, is considerably lower than the average of the two years subsequent to the introduction of the Tariff Act, but prior to that in which the plague affected the returns. Thus under "Sea Customs" alone have we reason to be dissatisfied with the results of the year under report. At the beginning of 1897-98 famine had practically disappeared from the Bombay Presidency, but the year has been one of continued plague and of exceptional tightness of money. Owing in part to the diminution of panic which has resulted from familiarity with the plague, and in part to the greater elasticity of quarantine arrangements as regards business-men, the salt trade has during the year been but little affected by the prevalence of that disease, and it is to be hoped that it will now resume its normal aspect. The dearness of money has of course had its influence on all mercantile transactions, but seeing that the Salt Revenue of the year is rather above the average of previous years, this Department has not much reason to complain. Some loss has been experienced in the trade with Calcutta owing to the unsatisfactory state of the freight market, which was probably due indirectly to the scarcity of money, but the amount concerned is not of importance. In the case of "Sea Customs" it is not altogether a matter of surprise that the receipts should have fallen off as compared with the average of years preceding the plague. Trade once diverted from certain ports will not immediately return to them, and there is every cause for satisfaction in noting that the revenue of the year under report shews an increase over that of the year which preceded it.

SALT.

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11. The salt with which the Bombay Presidency Salt Department has to deal may most conveniently be classified under three heads— General sources of supply.

General sources of supply.

(1) Barágra salt manufactured from salt-brine at the Government Salt Works on the Runn (Khárághoda and Udu) which are now called the Pritchard Salt Works.

(2) Sea salt produced at works on the Coast, of which one at Dhárásna near Bulsár is a Government work. A few works the property of Government in the tálukas are leased to private individuals. All the rest of the sea salt-works are private.

(3) Imported salt, derived mainly from salt-works in Portuguese India.

The following figures will give some idea of the relative importance of these sources of supply :—

	Full Duty.		Nominal Duty.		Free.		Total.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Barágra Salt ...	17,81,911	17,68,367	.....	.....	1,431½	1,071½	17,82,942½	17,69,438½
Sea Salt	65,23,196	66,97,311	4,12,290	5,53,376	40,01½	41,718	69,85,490	72,93,865
Imported Salt ...	2,80,751	3,05,067	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,80,751	3,05,067
Total ...	85,85,848	88,00,653	4,12,290	5,53,376	50,04½	42,209½	90,49,184½	93,98,370½

Number of works open and in operation.

12. It will be seen from the subjoined statement that the number of salt works open and in operation during the year under report was eleven more than in the preceding year. The new works are small ones permitted to be opened at Sánikatta in place of outlying works closed :—

		SALT-WORKS OPEN.		Increase.	Decrease.
		1896-97.	1897-98.		
	Barágra Salt				
Government ...	Pritchard Salt-works ...	2	2	...	...
	Sea Salt.				
	Bulsár Works	1	1	...	...
Private or leased...	Umbargaon	1	1	...	...
	Bassein	28	28	...	...
	Ghodbandar	46	46	...	...
	Trombay	24	24	...	...
	Mátunga	25	25	...	...
	Uran	87	87	...	...
	Karanja	26	26	...	...
	Panvel	19	19	...	...
	Pen	32	32	...	...
	Shiroda	27	27	...	...
	Sánikatta	120	131	11	...
	Total ...	438	449	11	...

Production.

13. The table given below shows (*a*) the total production, (*b*) loss and wastage, (*c*) removals, and (*d*) balance in stock at the end of the year for the last five years. Details for each táluka will be found in Appendix V :—

Year.		Stock in hand on 1st April, including Agencies and Depôts for Baráigra Salt.	Manufactured and brought to account during the year.	Total Stock.	Loss and Wastage.	Per-centage of Loss and Wastage to Total Stock.	Removal during the year. Duty-free or Nominal Duty.		Total.	Balance on 31st March 1898.
		Ind. Mds. s. t.	Ind. Mds. s. t.	Ind. Mds. s. t.	Ind. Mds. s. t.		Ind. Mds. s. t.	Ind. Mds. s. t.	Ind. Mds. s. t.	In t. Mds. s. t.
1897-98 ...	a.—Baráigra ...	31,01,201 20 0	21,59,156 22 0	52,60,358 2 0	2,37,040 10 0	4·5	17,98,347 0 0	1,031 20 0	17,99,378 20 0	32,20,979 2 0
	b.—Balsár ...	2,33,778 0 0	3,39,947 0 0	5,73,725 0 0	37,364 0 0	6·5	3,36,104 0 0	.....	3,36,104 0 0	2,37,787 0 0
	c.—Rest of Presidency ...	18,32,911 13 0	73,18,661 11 0	92,51,602 24 0	9,75,778 31 0	10·5	63,81,117 8 0	5,96,554 2 0	69,77,671 10 0	12,68,212 23 0
	Total ...	47,27,923 33 0	1,98,37,764 33 0	2,50,85,686 26 0	12,44,179 19 0	5·2	84,95,568 8 0	5,97,585 22 0	90,93,203 30 0	47,27,979 25 0
1896-97 ...	a.—Baráigra ...	24,09,951 20 0	27,01,664 21 0	51,14,616 1 0	2,39,472 1 0	4·5	17,81,041 0 0	1,031 20 0	17,82,942 20 0	31,01,201 20 0
	b.—Balsár ...	1,73,519 0 0	4,15,791 0 0	5,89,310 0 0	39,437 0 0	6·5	3,22,095 0 0	.....	3,22,095 0 0	2,33,778 0 0
	c.—Rest of Presidency ...	21,42,079 28 0	66,35,316 25 0	88,38,396 13 0	9,01,950 4 0	9·06	62,01,126 26 0	5,62,001 0 0	67,63,127 26 0	13,32,941 13 0
	Total ...	46,86,450 8 0	99,52,772 6 0	1,46,39,322 14 0	11,42,859 5 0	7·8	83,04,266 26 0	4,63,032 20 0	87,68,472 16 0	47,27,920 33 0
1895-96 ...	a.—Baráigra ...	20,86,486 0 0	23,80,078 20 0	44,74,564 20 0	2,36,805 20 0	5·29	18,26,736 0 0	1,031 20 0	18,27,767 20 0	24,99,281 20 0
	b.—Balsár ...	1,37,240 0 0	3,99,765 0 0	5,36,911 0 0	2,9,993 0 0	4·65	3,36,698 0 0	.....	3,36,698 0 0	1,73,519 0 0
	c.—Rest of Presidency ...	12,12,128 0 40	85,70,412 36 4·0	97,82,541 6 0	7,73,369 6 0	7·9	63,07,333 33 0	6,69,803 21 0	69,76,962 13 0	21,02,079 28 0
	Total ...	34,34,849 0 40	1,13,50,256 16 40	1,47,93,76 26 0	10,36,055 25 0	7·01	84,68,769 33 0	6,70,835 11 0	91,40,330 8 0	46,86,350 8 0
1894-95 ...	a.—Baráigra ...	18,97,971 17 0	23,20,972 13 0	42,18,943 30 0	2,36,054 10 0	5·59	13,93,222 0 0	1,031 20 0	13,97,423 20 0	28,35,520 0 0
	b.—Balsár ...	61,849 0 0	4,04,767 0 0	4,66,615 0 0	21,279 0 0	4·56	3,05,600 0 0	.....	3,05,600 0 0	1,39,246 0 0
	c.—Rest of Presidency ...	4,66,770 19 0	88,65,231 8 3	92,71,101 27 3	7,17,167 13 18	7·73	65,65,815 34 40	7,75,950 10 27	73,41,806 4 60	12,12,128 0 40
	Total ...	23,65,589 36 0	1,15,91,070 21 3	1,39,56,660 17 3	9,74,500 23 18	6·98	87,70,437 34 40	7,76,981 30 27	95,47,319 24 60	34,34,849 0 40
1893-94 ...	a.—Baráigra ...	23,80,733 3 0	18,89,207 5 0	41,83,595 7 0	2,12,457 10 0	5·05	20,12,155 0 0	1,031 20 0	20,13,186 20 0	18,87,971 17 0
	b.—Balsár ...	12,755 0 0	3,97,573 20 0	4,10,328 20 0	22,947 20 0	5·57	3,15,931 0 0	.....	3,15,931 0 0	61,849 0 0
	c.—Rest of Presidency ...	3,70,178 21 43	83,37,465 34 17	77,07,644 15 60	5,67,359 21 24	7·36	58,32,747 9 0	6,61,667 6 36	64,94,414 15 36	4,66,770 19 0
	Total ...	32,59,666 24 43	88,24,206 19 17	1,20,61,576 2 60	8,02,764 11 24	6·71	82,23,612 9 0	6,62,698 26 36	88,23,531 35 36	23,65,589 36 0

Bara'gra Salt.

Distribution of Bara'gra Salt.

14. The quantity of Baráigra salt in stock at the beginning of the year was 31,01,201½ maunds. The crop of the year amounted to 21,59,156½ maunds; making with the quantity in stock a total of 52,60,358 maunds.

Opening balance and season's product.

Distribution of Baráigra Salt: Removals.

15. The issues of Baráigra salt show an increase of 16,396 maunds as compared with those of the previous year, the figures being 17,99,338 maunds against 17,82,942 maunds in the year 1896-97. This is mainly due to increased removals to the Central and North-West Provinces.

Distribution of Baráigra Salt.

16. The manner in which the issues of Baráigra salt were distributed is shown bellow :—

	1896-97.						1897-98.					
	For Local Consumption.	For Consignment by Railway to Central Provinces.	For Consignment by Railway to North-West Provinces and Oudh.	For Export to Central India, including Málwa and Rájputana.	For Export to Scindia's Territory and Bengal.	Total.	For Local Consumption.	For Consignment by Railway to Central Provinces.	For Consignment by Railway to North-West Provinces and Oudh.	For Export to Central India, including Málwa and Rájputana.	For Export to Scindia's Territory and Bengal.	Total.
	Mds. s.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds. s.
Khárághoda.	71,228 20	3,71,458	4,00,104	3,40,244	1,454	1,56,545 20	89,112 20	3,93,975	6,04,597	3,23,411	2,163	12,83,259 20
Ahmedabad Depôt ...	1,06,021 0	...	...	19,266	...	1,21,247 0	75,035 0	...	...	5,146	...	80,181 0
Agencies ...	3,41,015 0	...	...	57,138	11,426	4,09,580 0	3,63,035 0	...	...	63,090	8,274	4,34,399 0
Total ...	5,18,265 20	3,71,458	4,00,104	4,22,578	13,080	17,87,372 20	4,96,982 20	3,93,975	6,04,597	3,92,247	10,437	17,99,338 20

Distribution of Bara'gra Salt.

Distribution considered according to destination.

Local consumption.

17. The following table shows in detail the issues for local consumption :—

District.	From Khárághoda. 1896-97.	Khárághoda. 1897-98.	Ahmedabad Depôt. 1896-97.	Ahmedabad Depôt. 1897-98.	Agencies. 1896-97.	Agencies. 1897-98.	Total. 1896-97.	Total. 1897-98.
	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.
Ahmedabad	10,439 28	9,191 20	72,053	62,921	35,474	41,302	1,17,576 20	1,13,414 [illegible]
Kaira	...	334 0	250	205	93,551	50,400	93,801 0	50,939 0
Broach	927 0	618 0	...	...	...	...	927 0	618 0
Panch Mahals ...	...	...	...	...	53,119	53,790	53,119 0	53,790 0
Gaikwar's Territory ...	37,127 0	32,792 0	2,564	1,236	85,537	94,128	1,25,228 0	1,18,156 0
Mahi Kántha Agency ...	3,370 0	1,948 0	24,361	9,674	23,681	35,812	51,312 0	47,434 0
Rewa Kántha Agency ...	6 0	3 0	1,066	880	24,936	28,316	26,008 0	29,199 0
Pálanpur Agency ...	13,768 20	10,472 20	...	...	25,776	24,681	39,544 20	35,153 20
Kathiawár Agency ...	1,460 20	1,159 20	18	...	...	...	1,478 20	1,159 20
Cambay	3,702 0	2,472 0	...	...	300	207	4,002 0	2,679 0
Surat	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
Bombay	439 0	417 0	...	...	...	...	439 0	417 0
Poona	3 0	...	...	...	...	...	3 0	.....
Sátara	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
Khándesh	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
Total ...	73,228 28	59,112 20	1,01,921	75,035	3,41,376	3,63,935	5,16,525 29	4,98,052 20

Central Provinces.

18. The quantities consigned to each station in the Central Provinces from the main stores are shown below :—

Names of Stations.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Badnera	29,664	33,681	4,017	...
Harda	18,231	16,995	...	1,236
Timarni	4,017	4,944	927	...
Sioni	9,579	9,270	...	309
Itárei	16,068	19,158	3,090	...
Bágra	3,339	3,708	309	...
Semri	2,163	2,163	...	...
Sohágpur	3,399	6,489	3,090	...
Piparia	14,832	14,214	...	618
Bankheri	7,107	6,798	...	309
Gadarwara	23,175	23,175	...	...
Kareli	11,742	15,450	3,708	...
Narsingpur	9,579	7,725	...	1,854
Chindwara	...	...	...	...
Saipura	4,326	5,253	927	...
Sehora Road	11,433	16,686	5,253	...
Salimanabad	...	...	...	...
Katni	26,265	27,192	927	...
Myhere	5,562	5,562	...	...
Hoshangabad	4,017	4,326	309	...
Khirkian	4,635	5,253	618	...
Sangor	47,586	40,170	...	7,416
Jabalpur	85,902	89,610	3,708	...
Umaria	3,708	5,562	1,854	...
Deori	1,545	2,781	1,236	...
Bir	309	...	...	309
Shahadol	927	...	...	927
Khandwa	3,708	5,871	2,163	...
Gotegaon	11,124	10,506	...	618
Tumsar Road	...	...	...	...
Pendra Road	2,781	5,253	2,472	...
Damoh	4,017	6,180	2,163	...
Harsad	618	...	...	618
Total ...	3,71,418	3,93,975	36,771	14,214

Distribution of Baragra Salt.

The increase of 22,557 maunds (or 6 per cent.) following on a decrease of 55,272 maunds in the previous year is most satisfactory. Famine, which was the chief cause of the falling off in the year 1896-97, has now disappeared, and it is hoped that the sales will soon reach their normal state.

North-West Provinces and Oudh.

19. The exports to the North-West Provinces and Oudh show an increase of 44,496 maunds (or 9·6 per cent.) as compared with those of the previous year, and these figures also must be regarded as satisfactory. The following table shows the quantities consigned to each station in the North-West Provinces. The removals to Oudh during the year under report amounted to 309 maunds only as compared with 1,854 during the previous year. Prior to 1893-94 there was no trade in salt between Oudh and Khárághoda, and it was only when the Sambhar Lake failed that the merchants there began to transact business with Khárághoda. Now year by year the trade is falling off as they get their salt from their old market:—

Names of Stations.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Cawnpore	309	...	...	309
Mirzapur	...	309	309	...
Gorukpur	...	618	618	...
Benares	22,557	25,029	2,472	...
Ghazipur	...	309	309	...
Gahwar	...	309	309	...
Chowri-Chowra	309	...	...	309
Jumanean	23,484	23,175	...	309
Jaunpur	37,389	30,900	...	6,489
Tarighat	7,107	13,596	6,489	...
Sháhgunj	55,311	57,783	2,472	...
Fyzabad	14,214	24,720	10,506	...
Malipur	6,489	9,270	2,781	...
Akberpur	27,810	29,046	1,236	...
Gosaiganj	13,287	13,596	309	...
Ajodhysghát	1,09,077	74,778	...	34,299
Sháhjanwa	7,416	9,270	1,854	...
Náwábganj	4,635	...	...	4,635
Dildárnagar	11,433	10,815	...	618
Kálilabad	9,270	8,034	...	1,236
Sirpur	3,399	3,399	...	...
Gonda	31,209	34,299	3,090	...
Basti	12,360	28,119	15,759	...
Kauria	618	...	...	618
Maukápur	3,090	1,854	...	1,236
Manderwa	4,017	4,635	618	...
Ajodhya	39,861	71,070	31,209	...
Bahrampur	927	10,506	9,579	...
Máskanwa	7,725	6,843	618	...
Mogalserai	309	...	...	309
Oudh	1,854	309	...	1,545
Bahhnan	1,854	7,725	5,871	...
Dhema	1,545	1,236	...	309
Paigpur	...	...	...	...
Sakaldeah	...	...	...	...
Kolonelganj	1,236	1,545	309	...
Total ...	4,60,101	5,04,597	96,717	52,221

Rajputana, Central India, Scindia's Territory, Bengal.

20. The total issues for Rajputana (including Málwa), Central India, Scindia's Territory and Bengal show a decrease of 33,674 maunds (or 7·8 per cent.) as compared with those of the previous year. This falling off is due partly to ordinary fluctuations of trade and partly to the fact that the salt traders in these parts have gone back to the Sambhar Salt Works for their supply. The consignments to stations in

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Rajputana, Central India, Scindia's Territory, Bengal.

Central India (including parts of Málwa) for the last two years are shown in the subjoined table:—

Names of Stations.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Barvaha	1,854	927	...	927
Amargarh	5,871	1,236	...	4,635
Mhow	28,737	29,973	1,236	...
Delauda	2,163	2,163	...	...
Mahlargarh	1,854	1,236	...	618
Indore	104,442	97,335	...	7,107
Ajnod	309	...	...	309
Futtehabad	2,163	3,399	1,236	...
Ujjain	52,221	45,732	...	6,489
Chambal	3,708	2,781	...	927
Barnagar	22,866	22,557	..	309
Ranija	1,236	927	...	309
Ratlam	10,506	9,888	...	618
Jaora	29,973	26,574	...	3,399
Mandsaur	42,951	36,153	...	6,798
Bamnia	...	4,017	4,017	...
Mortaka	...	309	309	...
Piplia	...	309	309	...
Sehore Cantonment... ...	...	309	309	...
Pahlia	...	...	...	...
Dhodhar	3,708	3,090	...	618
Namli	3,708	1,545	...	2,163
Choral	309	...	...	309
Kachraud	10,506	11,433	927	...
Nagda	1,854	6,180	4,326	...
Unhal	618	1,854	1,236	...
Tarana Road	1,236	618	...	618
Tajpur	927	309	...	618
Maksi	8,961	6,180	...	2,781
Shujaulpur	1,545	2,781	1,236	...
Total ...	3,44,226	3,19,815	15,141	39,552

Panjáb.

21. There were no removals for the Panjáb during the year under report.

Distribution of Baragra Salt.

22. The following table shows the sales of Barágra salt since 1873-74:

Distribution of Barágra Salt since 1873-74.

Year.	For Local Consumption.	For Export to Central Provinces.	For Export to North-West Provinces and Panjab.	For Export to Central India and Rajputana and Malwa, Scindia's Territory and Bengal.	Total.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
1873-74 ...	3,41,273	1,80,455	...	79,364	6,10,092
1874-75 ...	3,90,056	2,53,335	...	25,424	6,68,815
1875-76 ...	4,83,137	2,72,890	...	49,172	8,05,199
1876-77 ...	4,61,520	3,17,475	...	51,798	8,30,793
1877-78 ...	4,67,992	4,19,127	...	80,237	9,67,356
1878-79 ...	4,71,448	4,83,370	25,410	1,19,635	10,98,863
1879-80 ...	3,80,888	5,39,280	1,12,770	3,13,481	13,46,419
1880-81 ...	3,62,603	4,03,611	59,220	2,29,884	10,55,318
1881-82 ...	4,77,934	34,232	...	3,09,911	8,22,077
1882-83 ...	4,48,885	4,28,610	5,460	2,84,712	11,67,667
1883-84 ...	4,77,757	4,07,697	15,578	2,95,179	11,96,206
1884-85 ...	4,89,651	4,58,916	24,030	3,71,359	13,43,956
1885-86 ...	5,07,501	4,52,445	13,77,720	6,23,619	29,81,285
1886-87 ...	4,94,875	4,60,905	6,17,037	5,16,188	20,89,005
1887-88 ...	5,25,561	4,47,309	2,00,517	3,71,770	15,45,157
1888-89 ...	4,80,519	4,19,190	2,70,204	3,41,219	15,11,132
1889-90 ...	4,95,524	4,38,414	3,47,901	3,39,503	16,21,432
1890-91 ...	4,92,406	4,26,666	3,37,488	3,49,601	16,06,161
1891-92 ...	5,28,626½	4,65,381	3,20,934	3,58,234	16,71,175½
1892-93 ...	5,26,948½	4,57,248	3,41,226	3,61,286	16,86,688½
1893-94 ...	5,22,946½	4,71,246	6,84,828	3,94,166	20,73,186½
1894-95 ...	5,03,712½	4,77,213	5,17,183	3,99,310	18,97,423½
1895-96 ...	5,26,657½	4,26,690	4,38,882	4,35,538	18,27,787½
1896-97 ...	5,15,065½	3,71,418	4,60,101	4,36,358	17,82,942½
1897-98 ...	4,98,082½	3,93,975	5,04,597	4,02,684	17,99,338½

Loss and Wastage.

23. The loss and wastage written off in the accounts amounted to 2,31,046½ maunds against 2,30,472 maunds in the previous year. The percentage 4·3 is slightly less than in the preceding year.

Stock at close of year.

24. The amount of salt in stock at the end of the year was 32,29,973 maunds as against 31,01,201½ maunds at the close of the previous year.

Cost of Price.

25. The cost price of Barágra salt at the main stores, the Ahmedabad Depôt and the Agencies remained the same as in the previous year, *viz.* Re. 0-1-3 per Indian maund.

Manufacturing Season, 1897.

26. The following table contains some details regarding the manufacture of salt at the Pritchard Salt Works during the season of 1897-98:—

Salt-Works.	Year.	Number of Pans.	Total Crop.	Average yield per Pan.	Maximum yield per Pan.
			Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Khárághoda ...	1896-97	270	9,85,760	3,651	7,240
	1897-98	260	9,07,557	3,630	6,923
Udu	1896-97	280	11,05,170	3,947	7,437
	1897-98	275	10,84,482	3,943	7,353
Total ...	1896-97	550	20,90,930	3,801	7,338
	1897-98	525	19,92,039	3,786	7,138

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Manufacturing Season, 1897.

As the stock of salt is now approaching the quantity required as a reserve, the number of pans was reduced from 550 to 525 and consequently the crop of the year was less than in the year 1896-97, viz. 19,92,039 maunds, as against 20,90,930. As it has been found that sufficient allowance had not been made for wastage, it will be necessary now to raise the number of pans and thus to arrange for the production of a larger quantity of salt during the next two or three years in order that the requisite reserve may be brought into existence within a reasonable period of time. Brine was let into the first pan at Khárágh oda on the 26th October 1897 and into the last pan on the 20th January 1898. The first pan was cleared on the 18th March 1898 and the last on the 15th of April. At Udu, brine was let into the first pan on the 1st January 1893 and into the last pan on the 3rd February 1898. The first pan was cleared on the 29th March 1898 and the last on the 5th May 1898.

Storage

27. The storage, which began on the 11th April 1898 and was completed on the 18th May, was done departmentally for the sixth year in succession and was again satisfactory. The difficulty in procuring labour which was at one time anticipated has not yet been experienced. Last year the amount brought into stock each day was on an average 58,031 maunds, the highest rate attained up to that time. This year the average rate was only 56,915 maunds, but the officers of the Department are not responsible for the falling off in the rapidity of the work, the chief reason for which was the defective state of the engines supplied by the Railway Company for the haulage work. Correspondence on this subject is now going on with the Agent to the Railway, and it is hoped that more suitable arrangements will be made next season.

Water-supply

28. The total rainfall during the year under report was 25·09 inches against 28·31 in the previous year. The rain, though very good for the crops, was not sufficient to fill the big tank at Khárágh oda. The water-supply of the village and works gives rise to a certain amount of anxiety when the rainfall is very light. During the year under report the water in the tank was not only very low, but was very brackish. There was, however, no serious scarcity of potable water, and the situation has now been improved by the construction of a well (called after the late Collector of Salt Revenue the "Jenkins Well") at the expense of Khán Sáheb Gulam Mustapha, the Inspector of the Pritchard Salt Works.

Health of Khárághoda village.

29. The vital statistics of the new Government village at Khárághoda for the year under report are on the whole satisfactory, showing a considerable improvement over those of last year. There were 63 deaths against 107 in the preceding year, being a death-rate of 33·7 per mille against 53 per mille in 1896-97. The high figures of that year were due to an outbreak of small-pox as already reported.

Population.

30. The population of the village was 1,866 against 2,019 in the previous year, the falling off being due to the diminution of the number of salt-pans worked during the year and the consequent departure from Khárághoda of the superfluous Agrias. The number of births was 77 (or 41·2 per mille) against 69 (or 34 per mille) in the year 1896-97.

Khárághoda Dispensary.

31. The number of patients treated at the Dispensary was 3,956 as compared with 4,772 in the preceding year. This large falling off is due partly to the fact that a new Assistant Surgeon was in charge of the Dispensary, who made himself unpopular amongst the inhabitants of the village, and partly to the fear, which was prevalent in many other places as well, that attendance at a dispensary might lead to the patient being harassed in connection with plague measures. The most prevalent diseases were intermittent fever, diseases of the eye, ulcers, pneumonia and skin affections. No epidemic disease prevailed during the year under report.

Advance to Agrias.

32. The total amount advanced as Takavi to Agrias was Rs. 13,083 against Rs. 8,925 in the previous year.

SEA SALT.

33. The quantity of sea salt manufactured during the year increased to 81,78,208 maunds as against 72,48,107 maunds produced in the preceding year, *i. e.* 12·8 per cent., so also the removals increased from 69,85,489 maunds to 72,93,865 maunds. The balance at the close of the year was 14,97,999 maunds as compared with 16,26,719 maunds at the end of the previous year.

34. At the Government salt works at Dhárásna the year opened with a balance of 2,43,778 maunds, and the quantity manufactured and brought to account was 3,29,547 maunds. The removals during the year amounted to 3,06,194 maunds against 3,22,065 in the preceding year. After deducting the loss and wastage, there were 2,29,787 maunds in stock at the close of the year. Dhárásna.

35. In the other salt works, private and leased, the produce was 78,48,661 maunds against 68,35,316 maunds in the previous year. The balance at the beginning of the year was 13,82,941 maunds and the issues amounted to 69,87,671 maunds. After deducting the loss and wastage, the balance at the end of the year was 12,68,212 maunds against 13,82,941 maunds at the end of 1896-97. Rest of the Presidency.

36. The following comparative statement shows the quantities of salt which were removed for consumption within and without the Presidency from the Sea Salt works in British Territory, together with the distribution of issues:— Distribution of Sea Salt.

From	For Export to								For Local Consumption.		Total.	
	North-West Provinces.		Central Provinces.		Central India.		Nizam's Territory.		Calcutta.			
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Bolsár (Dhárásna)	...	...	...	...	284	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Umbargaon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bassein, Ghodbandar, Mátunga, Trombay, Uran, Karanja, Panvel and Pen ...	13,60,239	13,10,922	16,092	15,814	5,06,380	5,01,954	5,78,230	5,41,249	...	...	...	...
Shiroda	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sankhatta	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	13,60,239	13,10,922	16,092	15,814	5,06,380	5,01,954	5,78,230	5,41,249	...	...	...	...

From	For Export to										For Local Consumption.		Total.	
	Madras Presidency.						Foreign Malabar (Cochin and Travancore).		Mysore.		Within the Presidency.			
	British Malabar.		Rest of the Presidency.		Total.									
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Bolsár (Dharásna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,21,777	3,06,194	3,29,068	3,06,194
Umbargaon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,431	6,067	5,431	6,067
Bassein, Ghodbandar, Mátunga, Trombay, Uran, Karanja, Panvel and Pen ...	14,08,057	11,28,225	...	...	14,08,057	11,28,225	4,13,290	5,55,376	1,36,376	2,12,387	19,80,772	21,52,403	64,70,053	66,69,187
Shiroda	27,000	...	...	...	27,000	...	...	...	...	...	55,149	53,789	82,149	74,789
Sankhatta	8,129	...	...	...	8,129	...	...	...	290	12.	1,06,313	86,079	1,16,771	97,425
Total ...	14,43,186	11,28,225	...	...	14,43,186	11,28,225	4,13,290	5,55,376	1,36,666	2,12,618	24,71,462	26,13,532	69,55,490	72,93,865

37. The removals from Dhárásna were less than those of the previous year by 15,871 maunds. This decrease is attributable mostly to plague and consequent slackness of trade. The quantity of Konkan salt imported into Gujarát this year was 20,038 maunds against 23,401 maunds in the previous year. Dhárásna Salt.

38. The removals from the salt works near Bombay show an increase of 3,50,337 maunds or 5·4 per cent. when compared with those in the previous year. The details of increase and decrease according to destinations are as follows. Salt Works near Bombay.

Salt Works near Bombay.

Increase.		Decrease.	
	Mds.		Mds.
Madras Presidency excluding British Malabar ...	3,31,426	Central Provinces	49,767
Foreign Malabar ...	1,42,086	Nizam's Territory	4,426
Mysore	75,991	Calcutta	36,990
Central India	70	British Malabar	2,79,830
Presidency	1,71,782	Total ...	3,71,013
	7,21,350		
Deduct Decrease ...	3,71,013		
Net Increase ...	3,50,337		

It will be seen that there has been an increase of 7,21,350 maunds in removals to Central India, Madras Presidency excluding British Malabar, Foreign Malabar, Mysore, and within the Presidency, and the decrease in removals to the rest of the Provinces has been 3,71,013 maunds. The net increase is therefore 3,50,337 maunds. But as the salt removed to Foreign Malabar only pays a nominal duty (3 pies per maund), the actual increase in the issues of salt paying full duty is only 2,08,251 maunds.

Removals to North-West Provinces, Central India, and Central Provinces.

39. There have been no removals to the North-West Provinces during the year under report as in the preceding year. The merchants there obtain their supplies of salt mostly from KhárágHoda, and during the year under report there has been an increase of 44,496 maunds in the removals of salt from KhárágHoda to the North-West Provinces. The increase of 70 maunds in the removals to Central India is *insignificant*, but there is a remarkable decrease of 49,767 maunds in the removals to the Central Provinces. The facilities granted to traders for the payment of duty on account of Baingra salt into the treasuries outside the Presidency have influenced the trade with KhárágHoda salt, and the removals from KhárágHoda to the Central Provinces have increased by 22,557 maunds against a decrease of 55,272 maunds in the preceding year. This is the chief cause of the decrease in removals of of sea salt to the Central Provinces, its place having been partly taken by salt from KhárágHoda.

Madras Presidency.

40. The practice hitherto was to show all exports to the Madras Presidency as exports to British Malabar. To discriminate between the traffic with British Malabar and with the rest of the Madras Presidency the exports have this year been shown separately. For the purpose of comparison, however, the exports are all taken together and show an increase of 51,590 maunds or 3·6 per cent.

Calcutta.

41. The removals to Calcutta exhibit a decline of 36,990 maunds as compared with last year's figures, yet they exceed those for the year 1895-96 by 96,377 maunds. This decrease as against 1896-97 is attributable partly to the ordinary fluctuations of trade and partly to the unfavourable state of the freight market.

Nizam's Territory.

42. The decrease in the removals to the Nizam's territory amounted to 4,426 maunds, and is also attributable to fluctuations of trade.

Foreign Malabar.

43. The increase of 1,42,086 maunds in the removals to Foreign Malabar may be the result of the brisker demand following on a year of short supply. There was a decrease of 1,35,144 maunds in the removals to Foreign Malabar in the preceding year, which is almost equal to the increase observed during the year under report.

Mysore.

44. The removals to Mysore have increased by 75,991 maunds or 55·7 per cent. The probable reason of this increase is, as pointed out in paragraph 46 of last year's report, the transportation of the salt to Madras Presidency by rail through Mysore.

45. The issues from Shiroda show a decrease of 7,400 maunds, due partly to plague in the Belgaum District and partly to trade fluctuations. Shiroda.

46. The total removals from Sánikatta show a decrease of 19,346 maunds, which is due to the salt required for the fish-curing yards being obtained from the salt-works in the Uran Range instead of as formerly from Sánikatta. The removals of duty-paid salt show, however, an increase of 8,004 maunds over those of the previous year in consequence of larger removals to Dhárwár District. Sánikatta.

47. The loss and wastage at Dhárásna amounted to 37,344 maunds against 29,467 maunds in the previous year, and the percentage 6·5, which is 3 per cent. higher than that of the preceding year, is due partly to unusual heavy rains in February last and partly to over-estimation on account of difference in weight of different kinds of salt. Loss and Wastage at Dhárásna.

48. The loss and wastage in the other sea salt works was 9,75,718 maunds as against 8,91,930 maunds in the previous year. The higher percentage of 10·5 as against 9·98 in the preceding year is due to the heavy rains and over-estimation. In Ankola Táluka alone a wastage of 21·8 per cent. is noticeable in consequence of the spring tide and heavy rain floods from the mountains taking place at the same time and sweeping off many heaps of salt. Rest of the Presidency.

49. The following table shows the maximum, minimum and average prices of salt at the Northern and Middle Konkan, Shiroda and Sánikatta salt works :—

	Northern and Middle Konkan.		Shiroda		Sánikatta.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Maximum per maund	0 10 0	0 8 0	0 6 0	0 8 0	0 3 0	0 4 0
Minimum do.	0 0 1	0 0 1	0 1 0	0 1 0	0 1 4	0 1 4
Average do.	0 1 10	0 1 9	0 3 9	0 4 1	0 1 9	0 1 11

In the Northern and Middle Konkan the prices were a little lower and at Shiroda and Sánikatta a little higher than those of the previous year. The cost price at Dhárásna salt works was Re. 0-1-3 as in previous years.

Imported Salt.

50. The table given below shows the quantity of salt imported into the Bombay Presidency and its distribution :— Quantity and distribution of imported Salt.

	For Export to									
	Madras Presidency, excluding British Minister.		Mysore.		Nizam's Territory.		Bombay Presidency.		Total.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	...	...	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Daman salt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Goa salt	6,246	10,028	34,614	40,094	...	...	2,31,345	2,46,734	2,72,205	2,96,856
Black salt from Bhavnagar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	637	1,954	637	1,954
Other kinds of salt principally from Cutch, Kathiawar, Aden, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,309	6,274	4,309	6,274
Total ...	6,246	10,028	34,614	40,094	...	...	2,36,291	2,54,961	2,77,151	3,05,084

51. As the importation of Daman salt has been prohibited it would be expected that the sales of salt by licensed vendors within ten miles of the Daman Frontier should have been in the ordinary course increased. As a matter of fact, however, they have fallen from 29,436 maunds to 26,159 during the year under report. The decrease, Daman Salt.

which amounted to 3,277 maunds, is due chiefly to the effects of plague and scarcity, and in some degree, it is to be feared, to the prevalence of gang smuggling, a matter which is now occupying my attention.

Goa Salt

52. The importation of Goa salt shows an increase of 21,055 maunds. This is due to the greater demand from places above-Ghauts which were short supplied in the previous year. Importation of other kinds of salt shows also an increase of 3,261 maunds. This is due to larger importations of black, table and packing salts and Sindha salts from Káthiáwár, the United Kingdom and Persia.

53. Owing to the continuance of the agreement between the G. I. P. and S. M. Railway Companies for the conveyance of goods *vid* Poona at low rates of freight, the through traffic *viá* Marmagoa and the West of India Portuguese Railway has not revived during the year under report and the effect upon the trade in Bombay salt *viá* Marmagoa will be seen from the figures given below :—

	1892-93	1893-94	1894-95	1895-96	1896-97	1897-98
Bombay Salt	2,71,542	3,32,789	3,38,974	3,78,473	28,359	3,024
Goa Salt	2,04,769	2,29,267	2,64,083	2,96,286	2,51,614	2,76,365

As this falling off of the traffic *via* Marmagoa is due only to a change of route, it does not mean any loss to the Salt Revenue; but must seriously affect the receipts of the West of India Portuguese Railway.

Consumption.

Consumption for the whole Presidency.

54. The total quantity of salt issued for consumption in the Bombay Presidency amounted to 33,66,258. Taking the population at 2,39,02,006 according to the census of 1891, the average per head is 11·58 lbs. against 11·09 lbs. in the previous year.

	Maunds.
Barágra Salt	4,98,082
Sea Salt	26,15,235
	31,11,317
Add—Imported Salt for local consumption	2,54,941
	33,66,258

In Gujarat.

55. The quantity of salt removed for consumption in Gujarát was—

	Mds.	s.	t.
Barágra Salt issued for local consumption ...	4,98,082	20	0
Dhárásna Salt	3,06,194	0	0
Konkan Salt carried to Gujarát ...	20,038	0	0
	8,24,314	20	0
Add—			
Imported Salt	12	0	0
	8,24,326	20	0

This quantity for a population of 8,633,220 gives an average of 7·8 lbs. per head against 8·2 lbs. in the previous year.

In the rest of the Presidency.

56. The quantity of salt issued for consumption in other parts of the Presidency, *viz.*, the Konkan, the Deccan, the Southern Marátha Country, and North Kánara, may be estimated as under :—

	Mds.
Quantity of Salt issued for the whole Presidency	33,66,258
Deduct—	
Quantity of Salt issued for Gujarát ...	8,24,326
	25,41,932

The population affected being taken at 15,268,786 souls, the average per head would come to 13·68 lbs. per head against 12·73 lbs. in the previous year.

57. The following statement shows the annual average removals per head of population for the whole Presidency, for Gujarát and for Khándesh, the Deccan and other districts respectively according to the census of 1891 :— Rates of consumption per head of population contrasted.

Year.	For the whole Presidency including Jaisel.		Gujarát.		Khándesh, the Deccan and other districts of the Presidency, excluding Jaisel.	
	Population, 23,902,000.		Population, 8,633,220.		Population, 15,268,786.	
	Quantity of Salt removed for consumption.	Average per head of Population.	Quantity of Salt removed for consumption.	Average per head of Population.	Quantity of Salt removed for consumption.	Average per head of Population.
	Mds.	Lbs.	Mds.	Lbs.	Mds.	Lbs.
1891-92	34,35,283	11·82	8,53,370	8·13	26,81,713	13·91
1892-93	32,63,072	11·11	8,45,267	8·05	24,17,805	12·34
1893-94	31,76,241	10·63	8,52,109	8·12	23,24,132	12·47
1894-95	32,97,308	11·25	8,29,294	7·89	24,68,014	13·14
1895-96	33,24,751	11·35	8,73,297	8·3	24,51,454	13·21
1896-97	32,22,761	11·00	8,60,255	8·2	23,62,506	13·73
1897-98	33,60,238	11·58	8,24,323	7·8	25,11,932	13·68

The increase in consumption in Khándesh, the Deccan &c., may be partly due to the increased restrictions placed on the use of salt-earth in Ratnágiri and North Kánara as a consequence of the opening of new fish-curing yards. The difference in the quantities consumed per head in Gujarát and in the rest of the Presidency is very marked, but I am at present unable to offer any explanation of it. An enquiry into the matter is in progress, and the result will be reported in due course.

58. The following table shows the market prices of salt as distinguished from prices at the works in each district of the Presidency during the months of April, August, December 1896 and 1897. The rates quoted are those given in the price current lists published in the Government Gazette :— Market Prices.

Districts.	April.		August.		December.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Bombay	4 1 10	4 1 10	4 1 10	3 10 2	4 1 10	3 10 2
Ahmedabad	2 13 5	2 15 5	2 15 5	2 15 5	2 15 5	2 15 5
Kaira	3 5 4	3 5 4	3 5 4	3 5 4	3 5 4	3 5 4
Panch Mahals	3 3 2	3 5 4	3 5 4	3 5 4	3 5 4	3 5 4
Broach	3 1 2	3 1 3	3 0 8	3 1 3	3 1 3	3 1 3
Surat	3 8 8	3 8 8	3 8 8	3 9 1	3 8 0	3 10 1
Thána	3 7 2	3 7 2	3 9 5	3 9 4	3 9 5	3 9 4
Kolába	3 2 2	2 15 1	3 2 2	3 14 10	3 5 9	3 10 10
Ratnágiri	3 1 3	3 1 3	3 3 2	3 6 8	3 6 8	3 6 8
Kánara	3 12 1	3 7 6	3 12 1	3 12 4	3 12 1	3 12 1
Násik	3 1 4	4 5 2	3 2 8	4 4 9	3 6 8	4 1 1
Khándesh	3 8 3	3 9 3	3 12 7	4 5 3	3 12 7	3 13 2
Ahmednagar	3 4 4	3 7 5	3 7 9	3 7 5	4 0 3	3 7 5
Sholáp'ur	3 7 1	3 12 11	3 7 1	3 10 2	3 11 6	4 7 1
Poona	3 3 9	3 8 8	3 8 4	3 13 1	3 8 11	3 13 1
Sátára	3 7 0	3 7 9	3 13 6	4 0 0	3 13 5	3 10 0
Belgaum	3 8 5	3 11 3	3 6 11	4 5 10	3 14 3	3 12 10
Dhárwár	3 3 6	3 4 3	3 6 0	3 12 5	3 5 0	3 13 0
Bijápur	3 8 3	3 12 7	3 6 4	3 12 7	3 13 2	3 12 7

Revenue and Expenditure.

Revenue & Expenditure. Collections.

59. The receipts on account of Imperial and Provincial Revenue respectively for the past five years are exhibited below arranged under their main heads:—

	1897-98.	1896-97.	1895-96.	1894-95.	1893-94.	Average of four years ending 1896-97.
Imperial.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1. Duty on Permits issued from British salt-works for home and inland consumption ...	1,62,34,348 0 0	1,59,50,624 0 0	1,61,13,926 3 0	1,63,20,150 10 0	1,60,23,505 11 0	1,61,01,302 2 1
2. Do. do. on exports to Cabotta ...	14,79,807 8 0	14,25,040 0 0	10,56,215 0 0	18,97,894 6 0	13,32,945 0 0	13,80,541 1 6
3. Do. do. Bristol Mediator.	31,61,760 4 0	29,27,160 0 0	30,06,236 0 0	28,16,511 6 0	30,08,661 4 0	24,48,034 4 0
4. Do. do. at provincial rates.	9,192 1 0	6,032 7 0	5,749 11 0	11,979 1 0	11,993 12 0	9,747 4 1
5. Duty on imports by sea ...	50,499 0 6	12,529 8 10	10,421 6 5	38,578 3 10	51,620 6 2	21,317 0 4
6. Do. by land ...	7,45,781 7 0	6,54,749 11 2	8,10,035 1 0	7,41,391 6 6	6,05,832 9 8	7,30,642 15 1
7. Duty on salt removed from Portuguese salt-works ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	29,440 0 0	7,360 0 0
8. Cost price realized on do. ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,124 14 0	281 3 6
9. Sale-proceeds Bunder salt ...	3,00,235 10 3	3,06,228 7 2	3,12,552 9 11	3,16,742 12 6	3,35,078 14 11	3,18,539 3 1
10. Excise Duty on excess shortage on examination of despatches at Preventive stations and on foreign-port at places of import ...	6,365 7 8	6,864 2 1	7,697 14 6	9,368 8 3	9,254 12 1	8,021 13 1
11. Ground-rent	13,164 14 11	37,967 2 7	88,915 13 1	41,573 2 1	46,745 0 6	41,191 0 6
12. Miscellaneous	61,149 0 9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13. Farms of Government salt-works ...	67,852 8 8	73,017 8 6	72,434 12 0	69,342 12 0	70,995 13 1	72,825 3 4
14. Proprietary right of Government in certain salt-works.	60,995 4 10	61,909 11 1	63,425 0 6	62,157 10 4	66,149 7 2	63,410 7 3
15. Cost price of salt supplied to Cutcheries	7,612 6 3	13,447 0 7	14,063 3 6	10,619 15 2	6,296 15 6	12,115 6 2
Total Imperial ...	2,27,39,744 13 10	2,16,07,185 8 7	2,21,03,749 0 11	2,22,73,753 14 2	2,14,53,621 2 3	2,21,02,331 0 3
Provincial.						
16. Proceeds of fines, forfeitures, and confiscations	5,413 13 1	2,230 0 7	603 4 0	662 3 5	638 4 8	1,030 11 3
17. Payments by Sikhs in cost of establishment employed to watch their salt-works	15,162 15 2	32,767 7 10	29,134 2 9	22,809 13 0	24,052 13 2	30,165 8 8
18. Contributions from Ports Fund towards cost of Coast Guards' Establishment ...	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0
19. Miscellaneous	27,300 13 2	25,943 15 6	30,614 4 10	32,541 15 0	29,656 15 6	29,514 12 5
Total Provincial ...	57,876 7 5	70,941 7 11	70,351 12 1	76,013 15 5	69,727 15 4	70,710 9 5
Grand Total ...	2,27,97,621 5 3	2,16,78,076 0 6	2,21,74,101 13 0	2,23,49,042 13 7	2,15,23,349 3 7	2,21,73,041 9 8

Imperial.

60. The realizations of Imperial Revenue show an increase of Rs. 6,22,550-5-3 when compared with those of the previous year and of Rs. 37,410-13-7 when compared with the average of the last four years.

Items of Increase.

61. The increase in the following items call for notice:—

Items Nos. 1, 2 and 3 represent the total excise duty actually realised on salt issued from works in the Presidency, which amounts to Rs. 2,00,20,011-12-0 against Rs. 2,03,99,700 in the previous year, showing an increase of Rs. 5,29,311-12-0 or 2·5 per cent. This increase is noticeable chiefly in the Bassein, Ghodbandar and Trombay Tálukás, and is due partly to greater facilities afforded to traders this year by the issue of quarantine passes and partly to the absence of scarcity and consequent partial revival of trade. The following table shows what the transactions, credit and cash, have been during the past three years:—

	1895-96.		1896-97.		1897-98.	
	Quantity.	Duty Realizations.	Quantity.	Duty Realizations.	Quantity.	Duty Realizations.
	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
1. Quantity issued and Duty recovered in cash during the year	81,50,076 11 0	2,03,97,690 11 0	78,80,827 16 0	1,97,17,071 0 0	79,73,754 16 0	1,99,29,061 0 0
2. Quantity issued on credit bonds during the year, but the Duty on which remained to be recovered in the next year ...	1,20,393 0 0	.....	3,02,228 10 0	.....	4,06,903 20 0	.....
3. Quantity remaining unissued at the end of the preceding year, and issued in the year. Duty on which at 8s. 2-sixty was realized and accounted for in that year	1,50,131 22 0	.....	1,15,815 24 0	.....	1,13,125 2 0	.....
4. Duty on quantity issued on credit bonds in the preceding year recovered in the year ...	.....	3,07,105 10 0	.....	3,03,134 12 0	.....	2,75,550 10 0
5. Duty realized in the year, but quantity not issued until after expiry of the year ...	.....	2,00,491 10 0	.....	2,81,111 8 0	.....	2,81,077 13 0
6. Duty realized for Salt to be issued, but subsequently refunded	.....	719 10 0	.....	3,12 0	.....	4,122 8 0
Total ...	84,68,600 33 0	2,10,53,007 11 0	83,98,871 16 0	2,03,04,731 0 0	84,73,013 38 0	2,04,29,811 12 0

Items of Increase.

Item No. 4.—Rs. 2,855-10-0, owing to larger indents for salt from the Travancore and Cochin Governments.

Item No. 5.—Rs. 8,155-7-3, due to larger imports of salt from Persia, Káthiáwár and the United Kingdom.

Item No. 6.—Rs. 61,036-11-0, due to larger importations of salt on the Goa Frontier from Goa for supply to the districts of Dhárwár, Belgaum and Bijápur, which were free from plague till late in the year.

Item No. 9.—The increase of Rs. 27-3-1 is trifling.

Item No. 12.—Rs. 61,149-6-9. This is the first receipt of its kind owing to the introduction of the system of assessment at maundage rate, sanctioned in Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 5186, dated the 12th July 1897, from the 1st August 1897.

Item No. 16.—Rs. 3,173-12-6. The increase occurs chiefly in the Uran Táluka and partly on the Northern Frontier and at the Ahmedabad Depôt. That at Uran was caused by infliction of fine for the release of two vessels under attachment. At Ahmedabad contraband Rock Salt confiscated by the Commissioner, Northern Division, was sold, and on the Northern Frontier the proceeds realised were on account of seizures made in 1896-97.

Items of Decrease

62. The decrease in the following items is explained below :—

Item No. 10.—Rs. 120-10-5, owing to smaller excesses discovered at the Preventive stations.

Item No. 11.—Rs. 24,442-3-8, due to old system of assessment having been abolished from the 1st August 1897.

Item No. 13.—Rs. 3,175-1-4, due to smaller receipts on account of Government salt works at Matunga, the new lease having been given for a smaller sum. Owing to the prevalence of plague in Bombay, no good offer was made for this lease, and the one accepted was for Rs. 20,500 per annum only as against Rs. 32,000 given for the former lease. The period has been reduced from five years to two.

Item No. 14.—Rs. 1,004-6-3, due to decreased sales at the Dhárasna Salt Works.

Item No. 15.—Rs. 11,235-0-4. The decrease occurs chiefly in the Kánara Range, and is stated to be due to the dearth of fish during the year under report and consequent decrease of sales to fish-curers.

Item No. 17.—Rs. 17,544-10-8. Owing to the new system of levying maundage rate, the proprietors of salt works were exempted from contributing towards the cost of establishment since the 1st August 1897, hence the decrease.

Item No. 19.—Rs. 1,63-2-4. This item is made up of *bagging* and *service charges*, which, owing to merchants having supplied their own bags to a greater extent than in the previous year, show a decrease of Rs. 938-4-3; *recovery of clothing charges*, which show an increase of Rs. 231-11-3; *sale proceeds of useless articles*, which show an increase of Rs. 3-7-5; and *several minor items* under this head, which show a decrease of Rs. 940-0-9. This head comprises items of unimportant receipts, which cannot be included in any of the detailed heads shown above. The decrease is chiefly due to no recovery having been made this year on account of fishing stakes, Rs. 450 on this account having been credited in 1896-97, and partly to smaller receipts on account of "proceeds of useless articles" and "sale-proceeds of trees."

Expenditure

63. The subjoined statement gives particulars of expenditure for the year under report as contrasted with those of the previous year :—

SALT REVENUE.

Revenue and Expenditure.

Expenditure.

No.	Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. p.
	SALT—IMPERIAL.				
	Superior Supervising Establishment.				
1	Pay including exchange compensation ..	1,22,370 8 5	1,30,013 14 2	7,643 5 9	....
2	Travelling allowance	12,926 1 4	15,031 14 7	2,105 13 3	....
3	Tentage	2,100 3 9	2,404 1 0	303 13 3	....
	Subordinate Establishment.				
4	Pay including exchange compensation ..	9,48,278 1 3	9,56,104 1 2	6,825 15 11	....
5	Travelling allowance	31,760 3 6	29,007 9 1	....	1,761 16 5
6	Horse allowance	8,018 12 9	7,937 7 5	....	76 4 11
7	Grain compensation	25,212 8 1	50,903 7 7	40,790 15 6	....
8	Charges on account of undervalued goods under section 32 of the Sea Customs Act ..	1,586 14 0	....	....	1,586 14 0
9	Service stamps and bearing postage	9,300 9 0	8,954 13 0	....	145 13 0
10	Telegram charges	242 6 0	346 6 0	104 0 0	....
11	Law charges	247 10 10	796 8 0	548 13 2	....
12	Purchase of books	59 0 0	106 2 0	47 2 0	....
13	Do. and compensation of land	383 7 11	330 10 11	....	31 13 0
14	Do. of new lands	16,515 5 0	15,591 8 9	....	923 12 3
15	Rents	7,345 7 7	7,304 0 7	....	41 7 0
16	Rates and taxes	697 10 10	693 8 2	20 13 4	....
17	Prizes for best salt manufactured at Khárághoda	600 0 0	600 0 0	....	....
18	Boat stores and repairs	22,049 6 7	35,427 4 4	12,477 13 9	....
19	Rewards	6,310 8 3	8,065 4 4	1,764 12 1	....
20	Petty construction	52,807 5 13	49,674 6 8	12,267 0 12	....
21	Peons' clothing, Táluka offices	20,681 7 2	33,516 1 6	13,337 10 4	25 9 8
22	Arms and accoutrements	930 12 10	926 12 1	295 0 3	....
23	Boat allowances	14,511 7 6	14,483 13 10	....	....
24	Salt purchase and freight on account of Bankpa salt	3,68,490 3 1	3,10,851 2 11	....	57,509 0 2
25	Do. do. salt removed to Sab-curing yards	9,373 5 8	4,799 3 2	....	4,573 2 6
26	Khárághoda Dispensary charges	872 1 7	1,795 14 8	....	76 2 11
27	Commission on sale of Sarkárí salt ..	14,098 2 3	12,893 5 2	....	1,205 10 1
28	Salt Agents's bagging and sewing charges	10,064 3 6	6,930 5 0	....	3,133 14 6
29	Scales and weights	1,158 0 0	2,513 3 0	1,167 3 0	....
30	Mapping charges	10 12 0	....	....	10 12 0
31	Supply of medicines	176 2 1	67 10 3	....	108 7 10
32	Carriage of tents and records	2,662 12 8	2,442 13 3	....	219 15 5
33	Supply of water	1,035 12 7	1,108 12 0	160 12 5	....
34	Forest uniforms and belts (Hamlit officers) ..	29 12 0	454 3 3	396 7 3	....
35	Petty repairs	1,541 12 10	8,579 7 11	1,037 11 1	....
36	Petty supply	3,661 5 7	3,743 0 11	120 11 4	....
37	Purchase of carpets	686 7 2	686 1 9	....	12 5 5
38	Purchase of furniture	1,122 14 4	1,056 6 4	....	66 8 0
39	Repairs of furniture	440 3 1	521 5 0	81 1 11	....
40	Parcel charges	133 5 6	165 2 6	61 13 0	....
41	Remittance of treasure	275 5 0	402 0 0	26 11 8	....
42	Conveyance of confiscated salt, &c.	19 15 3	98 7 0	18 9 9	....
43	Monsoon weather-fences	5,008 6 4	5,278 10 5	22 3 1	....
44	Thatching of salt heaps	....	8 14 8	8 14 8	....
45	Destruction of salt	8 0 0	8 15 0	0 15 0	....
46	Repairs to tents	33 11 0	....	....	33 11 0
47	Gunkhardi allowances	760 0 0	760 0 0	....	....
48	Stationery and printing	8,771 8 2	8,783 2 11	11 11 9	....
49	Miscellaneous	253 11 11	326 6 5	72 10 6	....
50	Purchase of tents	....	189 9 0	189 9 0	....
51	Surveying charges	....	6 2 0	6 2 0	....
	Total ..	17,27,516 14 10	17,55,745 6 5	1,03,457 5 5	72,909 13 10
52	Refunds	83,898 8 5	75,613 4 5	....	8,275 4 0
	Grand Total ..	18,05,366 7 3	18,28,358 10 10	1,03,457 5 5	80,374 1 10

Items of Increase.

Items of Increase.

64. *Item No. 1.*—Rs. 7,643-5-9. This increase is due to the following causes:—

1. Mr. Jenkins' salary for March 1898 was paid to him in the same month as he was proceeding on long leave.

2. The salary of Mr. W. F. Jardine for three months while on Plague duty at Poona was debited by the Accountant General to Salt under special orders from the Comptroller General.

3. Extra allowance was paid to Mr. C. Brendon during the deputation to Aden of Mr. Pogson, who was also paid deputation allowance.

4. There was no vacancy in the last grade of Assistant Collectors in 1897-98, as there was in 1896-97 for half the year, owing to the Ratnágiri and Kánara Ranges being in charge of one officer.

The increase in salary has been counterbalanced to some extent by decrease in exchange compensation, the rate being lower than in 1896-97.

Item No. 2.—Rs. 1,105-13-3, due to larger payments on this account to Messrs. Pogson and McCann, and also to there being a full complement of Assistant Collectors throughout the year under report.

Item No. 3.—Rs. 363-13-9, due to the full strength of Assistant Collectors having been maintained throughout the year and also to some of the officers having been on leave and acting allowances having been given to their substitutes.

Item No. 4.—Rs. 6,825-15-11, due to 14 Sowars' places which were held in reserve in former years being filled up during the year under report.

Item No. 7.—Rs. 40,790-15-6, due to this charge having been incurred throughout the year 1897-98, as against 5 months only in the preceding year. Items of Increase.

Item No. 11.—Rs. 548-13-2. Rs. 796-8-0 were paid this year on account of court-fee stamps for filing an appeal in the case of Ramchandra Narayan Shende and two others under Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 6409, dated the 27th August 1897, against Rs. 247-10-10 in the previous year.

Item No. 13.—Rs. 12,477-13-9, due to many of the Coast Guard boats being thoroughly re-coppered and new decks being fitted to the "Eagle" and the "Osprey."

Item No. 19.—Rs. 1,784-12-1. This is a fluctuating charge and depends upon the number and importance of cases detected. The increase is due mainly to the payment of Rs. 1,100 as rewards in the rock salt cases detected last year at the Ahmedabad station.

Item No. 20.—Rs. 12,267-0-10. This increase is chiefly due to a moiety of the expenditure of Rs. 11,690 incurred in the construction of a platform and sidings at Bhayndar, as per Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 7353, dated the 19th October 1897, having been paid to the Railway Company and debited during the year.

Item No. 21.—Rs. 14,837-10-4, due to both light and warm clothing having been issued to menials in all ranges except Goa and Daman, it being the fifth year of supply.

Item No. 22.—Rs. 586-0-3, due to belts, buckles, batons &c. having been supplied to Peons in the Thána and Ratnágiri Ranges.

Item No. 31.—Rs. 1,157-3-0, due to larger expenditure on account of scales and weights supplied to many of the tálukas in the Konkan Division.

ITEMS OF DECREASE.

Item No. 5.—Rs. 1,701-10-5, due to smaller payments mainly on the Northern Frontier and partly on the Goa Frontier. Items of Decrease.

Item No. 14.—Rs. 921-12-3, due to less work on this account, the budget allotment for the work being also less than in the year 1896-97.

Item No. 24.—Rs. 57,599-0-2, due to diminished production of salt at the Pritchard salt works.

Item No. 25.—Rs. 4,583-2-6, due to smaller issues of salt for the fish-curing yards, where there was less demand owing to scarcity of fish.

Item No. 27.—Rs. 1,782-10-1, due to no arrears having been paid as in the year 1896-97.

Item No. 28.—Rs. 3,132-14-0, due partly to smaller receipts and partly to payment of some amounts having been left over till the current year.

Item No. 50.—Rs. 8,275-4-0, due to the payments on account of wastage allowance being smaller in consequence of the diminution of removals to Calcutta.

The following items were debited to the contract grants, and no expenditure over the total grants has occurred during the year

1. Petty supply.
2. Petty repairs.
3. Monsoon weather-fences.
4. Carriage of tents and records.
5. Supply of water.
6. Purchase of carpets.
7. Purchase of furniture.
8. Repairs of furniture.
9. Parcel charges.
10. Remittance of treasure.
11. Repairs to tents.
12. Thatching of salt heaps.
13. Destruction of salt.
14. Conveyance of confiscated salt.
15. Peons' uniform and belts, Hire of carts.

The variations under other items are trifling and call for no remarks.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Fish-curing Yards.

65. A separate report has been submitted on the working of the fish-curing yards, so the subject will not be dealt with in detail here. Two new yards were opened in the Ratnágiri District, one at Ratnágiri and the other at Deobág, under the sanction conveyed in Government Resolutions in the Revenue Department, Nos. 6636 and 6637, both dated the 4th September 1897. With these additions the total number of yards open during the year was 17, of which 9 are in the Ratnágiri District and 8 on the coast of North Kánara. From the following statement it will be seen that the transactions of the year under report have not, as a whole, been satisfactory:—

Name of Yard.	Quantity of Fish brought to be cured.	Quantity of Salt issued.	Quantity of Fish removed.	Percentage of Fish to each Maund of Salt.	Expenditure, including cost of construction, removal, &c.	Receipts. Amount realized by sale of Salt at sixteen annas per Maund.	Miscellaneous Receipts.	Stock of Salt at the close of the year.	Value of Salt in stock at the close of the year at cost price.	Total.
	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Jaigad ...	788 10	239 30	270 20	2·0	725 11 3	126 5 0	...	818 30	155 9 1	282 3 1
Varoda ...	137 14	41 0	103 30	3·10	433 0 4	26 5 0	...	847 20	80 7 11	110 12 11
Purangad ...	.....	.....	.....	...	631 10 1	.....	...	999 17	144 14 2	144 14 2
Ratnágiri ...	.....	.....	.....	...	700 14 5	.....	...	1,499 28	240 4 5	240 4 5
Jaitapur ...	3,881 0	1,349 20	3,163 0	2·89	976 4 0	670 4 0	...	1,948 22	324 13 4	995 0 4
Vijaidurg ...	1,262 32	381 20	1,021 3	3·20	979 7 7	190 12 0	...	1,022 17	163 1 6	354 13 6
Deobág ...	4,745 1	1,340 30	3,560 30	3·22	959 10 5	676 6 0	...	1,676 32	152 7 5	827 13 5
Milwan ...	8,079 18	1,782 0	4,859 5	2·41	1,144 13 1	891 0 0	...	1,962 30	4 243 1 9	1,134 1 1
Vengurla ...	12,671 35	4,498 0	8,073 0	3·17	1,621 14 0	2,249 0 0	9 13 0	1,263 1	205 13 3	2,264 11 3
Mojadi ...	909 0	241 20	654 30	3·75	809 0 5	120 12 0	17 5 10	2,298 20	446 12 8	586 15 8
Sankod ...	257 0	202 0	264 20	1·31	1,329 4 1	101 0 0	2 8 7	793 16	154 11 7	258 4 2
Chendia ...	4,146 30	1,076 0	2,787 10	3·87	743 9 6	587 8 0	2 7 1	1,781 22	321 4 4	573 3 5
Kodar ...	1,269 35	674 0	1,654 25	2·45	1,483 9 4	333 6 0	2 7 1	2,615 23	454 8 9	790 12 9
Hirwadia ...	1,846 10	570 0	1,387 10	3·25	992 11 8	285 0 0	3 11 2	1,962 22	347 14 3	636 9 5
Gangawalli ...	852 25	134 20	353 35	4·0	903 12 3	65 12 0	2 7 2	694 22	140 6 9	208 9 11
Kuri ...	2,628 20	438 20	1,097 20	5·08	754 14 2	218 4 0	2 7 2	1,364 10	200 2 8	420 13 11
Kasarkod ...	6,312 31	1,861 20	4,406 24	3·25	1,211 16 0	930 12 0	8 7 2	3,501 22	639 5 10	1,569 9 0
Total ...	47,450 20	14,408 20	36,518 30	3·29	16,734 4 3	7,204 4 0	55 10 3	24,789 24	4,519 5 1	11,753 3 4

The total quantity of fish brought to the yards to be cured during the year was 47,450 maunds only as against 1,20,933 maunds in 1896-97, and as a consequence the quantity of salt issued fell from 36,894 maunds to 14,408 maunds and of fish removed cured from 95,090 maunds to 36,519 maunds. This falling off is the first to be recorded since the establishment of the yards and is very considerable. It is mainly due to the scarcity of fish along the coast, and there is no reason to fear that it should be ascribed to any unpopularity or mismanagement of the yards. Indeed, it is clear from the figures of the Ratnágiri District that the opposition to the use of the yards which was commented on last year has almost completely disappeared, and this is perhaps the most important fact of the year in connection with the fish-curing industry. The figures given below show the progress of the fish-curing industry during the last seven years. The policy of increasing the number of yards and prohibiting the use of salt-earth in their vicinity was entered upon in 1892-93, and the figures have been eminently satisfactory until the year under report:

Year.	Quantity of Fish brought to the Yards.
1891-92	12,550
1892-93	29,924
1893-94	41,857
1894-95	66,787
1895-96	1,00,075
1896-97	1,20,933
1897-98	47,450

Introduction of Maundage Rate.

66. The year under report has witnessed the introduction in almost all the unalienated salt works of the Presidency, except those in Gujarát, which are the property of Government, of a new system of assessment. Heretofore what may be called the royalty paid to Government in return for the privilege of manufacturing salt took the shape of a ground-rent calculated on the area of the land comprised

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in the salt work. For this there has now been substituted under the orders contained in Government Resolution No. 5186 of the 12th July 1897, Revenue Department, a maundage rate fixed for all the works except those in the Pen Táluka (where for special reasons the rate is 4 pies per maund) at 3 pies for every maund of salt removed from the works. As the new system was introduced during the year the financial results of the change cannot yet be properly estimated. It appears, however, that the figures for the year are as follows :— Introduction of Maundage Rate.

	Rs.
Ground-rent for four months of 1897-98 ...	... 13,465
Maundage rate for the remainder of the year	... 61,149
Total	... 74,614

The total receipts under the head of ground rent in 1896-97 were Rs. 37,907, so that there has this year been an increase of Rs. 36,707 in the amount realised by Government as royalty and in all probability next year will show a still further increase. Against this profit, however, has to be set the loss occasioned by the stoppage of the contribution of the owners of works towards the charges of the Guarding Establishment. Under the new system all these expenses are borne by Government. The loss under this head during the year 1897-98 was Rs. 17,545, so that the net profit of the change in system was Rs. 19,162. Proposals are now under consideration and will shortly be submitted for the strengthening of the Guarding Establishment, a measure which has long been thought necessary. It will be suggested that the increased cost be borne from the surplus of the royalty under the new Maundage rate system.

67. During the year under report Mr. C. A. Pogson, Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Goa Frontier, was deputed on special duty to Aden under the orders conveyed in Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 7476 of the 12th October 1897, for the purpose of instituting an enquiry as to the possibility of the establishment of salt works for the manufacture of salt on account of Government at Aden or in its vicinity. Mr. Pogson was absent on this duty from the 27th October to the 19th December 1897, and Mr. C. R. Brendon, Senior Inspector, Castle Rock, acted for him. From the orders contained in Government Resolution No. 3571 of the 27th May 1898, it appears that the Government of India have accepted the conclusion arrived at by the Government of Bombay that the establishment of Government Salt Works at Aden on the only site available for that purpose is not at present feasible. Mr. Pogson's Deputation to Aden.

68. The new boat to replace the "Ella," which was commenced in 1896-97, was completed during the year under report. Rs. 4,277-6-0 were spent on this boat during the year 1896-97 and Rs. 7,258-5-1 during the year under report, the total expenditure on this boat being Rs. 11,535-11-1. Boats.

Materials for the two new boats to replace the "John Bull" and the "Gem" were purchased in the year 1896-97 at a cost of Rs. 1,923-5-0, and their construction was taken in hand during the year under report, Rs. 7,790-3-2 being spent on them, *i.e.* Rs. 3,895-1-7 on each. A provision of Rs. 8,800 has already been made in the current year's budget for these two boats, and as this sum has been reported to be insufficient by Mr. McCann, Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Coast Guard Service, an application will be made to Government for the additional amount that will be required. It is expected that these boats will be completed by December next, and with them the programme of new boats for the Department comes to an end.

69. The following table shows the particulars of the number of offences against the salt law in the six years ending 1897-98, and the Offences.

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number of persons arrested, tried and convicted in connection therewith. Additional information will be found in Appendix XI :—

	Number of cases detected.	Number of Persons					Percentage of convictions on number of persons sent up for trial.	Total estimated value of Confiscations.
		Arrested.	Released by the Department.	Sent for trial before the Magistrate.	Convicted by the Magistrate.	Acquitted by the Magistrate.		
								Rs.
Northern Division—								
1892-93	227	364	8	356	318	38	89·35	2,010
1893-94	355	996	27	408	456	12	97·4	4,074
1894-95	253	754	3	281	273	8	97·15	3,582
1895-96	266	428	8	420	400	20	95·23	5,238
1896-97	467	631	5	626	607	19	96·8	5,953
1897-98	595	589	7	582	544	38	93·5	5,776
Southern Division—								
1892-93	384	593	77	516	455	61	88·17	18,258
1893-94	353	446	63	381	346	35	90·8	2,883
1894-95	374	488	70	418	386	32	94·6	4,857
1895-96	264	353	70	313	288	25	92·01	7,513
1896-97	392	527	81	446	406	38	91·4	9,373
1897-98	466	679	63	616	581	35	94·3	4,156
Total—								
1892-93	611	957	85	872	773	99	88·64	20,268
1893-94	698	941	92	849	802	47	94·4	6,957
1894-95	627	772	82	699	659	40	95·04	3,449
1895-96	530	811	78	733	688	45	93·86	12,751
1896-97	859	1,158	86	1,072	1,013	57	94·67	15,326
1897-98	971	1,268	70	1,198	1,125	73	93·9	9,932

Northern Division.

70. There has been an increase of 38 in the number of cases detected during the year under report. There were 111 cases of smuggling foreign salt across the frontier, of which 78 occurred on the Daman Frontier. The total quantity of foreign salt seized was 1,144 maunds 8 seers and 41 tolas, of which 255 maunds 4 seers and 57 tolas were seized on the Daman Frontier. Of the 589 persons arrested, 7 were released departmentally and the rest were sent for trial, with the result that 544 were convicted and 38 acquitted. Of the 544 persons convicted, 166 were sentenced to imprisonment only, the total period of imprisonment awarded being 3,716 days, or an average of 22·4 days; 77 persons were sentenced to pay fines only, no imprisonment being awarded in default of payment, and the amount of fines imposed was Rs. 387-8-0 or an average of Rs. 5-0-6 per head; 257 persons were sentenced to fines with imprisonment in default, the fines amounting to Rs. 1,793-12-0 or an average of Rs. 6-15-8 per head, while the term of imprisonment awarded in default was 1,755 days or an average of 6·8 days per head. The remaining 44 persons were sentenced to imprisonment as well as fine with imprisonment in default, the imprisonment awarded being 690 days or an average of 15·6 days each, and the fines imposed were Rs. 308-8-0 or an average of Rs. 7-0-3 per head, while the imprisonment awarded in default amounted to 166 days or an average of 3·7 days each. The percentage of convictions to the number of persons prosecuted was 93·5 against 96·8 in the year 1896-97. The estimated value of confiscations was Rs. 5,776 or Rs. 177 less than in the previous year.

Southern Division.

71. There has been an increase of 74 in the number of cases detected as compared with the previous year. Of the number of cases detected, 164 were of smuggling salt across the frontier, the Goa Frontier being responsible for 145, and the rest were thefts from salt-works, clandestine removal of natural salt and removals of salt in excess of quantities specified in permits. Of the 679 persons arrested, 63 were released departmentally and the rest were sent up for trial, with the result that 581 persons were convicted and 35 acquitted. Of the 581 persons convicted, 199 persons were sentenced to imprisonment only, the aggregate amount of imprisonment awarded being 3,695 days or an average of 18·5 days each; 102 persons were fined only, no imprisonment being awarded in default, the fines amounting in all to Rs. 540-12-0

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or an average of Rs. 5-4-9 per head; 230 persons were sentenced to pay fines with imprisonment in default, the total amount of fines inflicted being Rs. 1,020-4-0 or an average of Rs. 4-6-9 per head, and the total number of days of imprisonment being 1,695 or an average of 7·3 days each; two men were sentenced both to imprisonment and to pay fine with no imprisonment in default, the imprisonment awarded being 30 days or an average of 15 days each, and the fines imposed were Rs. 20 or Rs. 10 per head. The remaining 48 persons were sentenced to imprisonment for a total period of 2,465 days or an average of 51·3 days each and to pay fines amounting to Rs. 381-8-0 or an average of Rs. 7-15-2 per head or to undergo 594 days' further imprisonment in default of payment of fine or an average of 12·3 days each. The percentage of convictions to the number of persons sent up for trial was 94·3 against 91·4 in the previous year. The estimated value of confiscations was Rs. 4,156 against 9,973 in the previous year

Percentage of convictions.

72. The percentage of convictions to the number of persons prosecuted is a little lower than in the previous year, the figures being 93·9 against 94·67 in 1896-97.

Smuggling on the Goa and Daman Frontiers: Goa Frontier.

73. Of the total number of cases detected, 233 or the same as in the previous year occurred on the Goa and Daman frontiers. In the 146 cases detected on the Goa frontier the salt seized was 314 maunds 20 seers and 53½ tolás against 198 maunds seized in the previous year. The number of persons concerned in the offences has also increased from 172 to 206, which seems to point to a larger number of cases of gang smuggling. It is satisfactory to find, as reported by Mr. Pogson, that the Courts of the Sávantvádi State are co-operating with the Salt Department to put down smuggling by gangs by the infliction of adequate punishments on the offenders, and if the Magistrates in the Belgaum and Kánara Districts do the same, it is hoped that gang smuggling will soon be stamped out. With this view a few cases in which the Courts were unduly lenient have been brought to the notice of the District Magistrates concerned. The importation of licit salt in the Sávantvádi State fell from 18,620 to 15,435 maunds, but were nearly the same as in the year 1895-96.

Daman Frontier.

74. The amount of salt manufactured in Daman increased from 4,500 to 9,500 maunds owing to a small Agar being opened at Pariali. When compared with the quantity of about 22,000 maunds required for local consumption in Daman, the total quantity manufactured during the year under report is not important. The larger salt works, such as Varkunda, are still lying uncultivated. Simultaneously with the increase in manufacture, the sales have risen from 10,500 to 19,500 maunds—showing an increase of 9,000 maunds—nearly double the increase in the quantity manufactured. It is satisfactory to note that the quantity of salt stocked in Daman has been very considerably decreased during the year from about a lákh to about half a lákh of maunds by export to Africa. The preventive arrangements were as satisfactory as in the previous year.

Payment of compensation awarded by the Mixed Commission.

75. Out of the sum of Rs. 7,404-3-3 remaining unpaid at the end of the previous year on account of the awards of the Mixed Commission of 1880, 1885, and 1892, Rs. 2,593-1-7 were paid during the year under report, leaving a balance of Rs. 4,811-1-8 still to be paid as shown in the margin. For reasons explained in paragraph 72 of the last year's Administration Report, it will not be possible to pay off the outstanding amount for some years to come.

	Rs.	a.	p.
For 1880	204	4	9
„ 1885	3,604	2	8
„ 1892	1,002	10	3
Total balance outstanding.	4,811	1	8

Relations with Native States.

Baroda.

76. In consequence of Mr. Judge, Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Surat Range, being employed on Plague duty in Surat during almost the whole year, he was unable to undertake the special

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inspection of the Salt Deposits and saline tracts in the Baroda State during the year under report. It is hoped that the work may be carried out next season. I regret to have to report that the Baroda officials still continue to interfere in the matter of wrecks on the Danti foreshore, notwithstanding the orders of the Government of India. The subject has again been brought to the notice of the Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkári.

Kathiawar. Jhrangadra.

77. During the year under report only one case of smuggling Kuda-salt was detected, in which 6 maunds 23 seers 64 tolas were seized. Negotiations concerning the Kuda Salt-works are in progress through the Political Agent, Káthiáwár, and it is hoped that a satisfactory settlement may be arrived at. As at present worked they are undoubtedly a source of danger to the British revenue.

Jámnagar

78. In regard to the illicit importation of rock salt into the Jámnagar State, referred to in para. 75 of last year's Administration Report, Government were pleased, in their Resolution in the Political Department, No. 203 of the 13th January 1898, to declare that the Jámnagar State had committed a breach of its agreement with the British Government in allowing the import of rock salt into Navánagar territory, and to order that due notice should be taken of the culpable negligence of the Navánagar officials. As regards the rock salt seized, Government ordered that it should be exported beyond the limits of British India, or should be destroyed, or full duty should be paid on it and credited to the British Government in return for a permit. The Darbár have since issued prompt orders to the Customs officials of the Navánagar State in the sense of the Government Resolution above quoted, and have given an assurance that the Sindha Lun now stored in Jámnagar is in the possession of the State, and will be destroyed absolutely. The Political Agent, Káthiáwár, has also issued a notification reminding the Maritime States that under para. 3 of the agreement passed by them to the British Government rock salt may not be imported into their States unless it has paid the British salt tax and is covered by a British Ravána. It is hoped, therefore, that the measures taken will prevent any such irregularities in future.

Pálanpur.

79. It has already been observed in para. 76 of the last year's Administration Report that it would be well if the manufacture of *papdia khar* in Pálanpur were brought under supervision. In the cases detected by the Preventive Establishment upwards of 7,000 maunds have been seized and are under attachment at Ahmedabad and Sidhpur. The so-called *papdia khar* in these cases contains, as certified by the Chemical Analyser to Government, a proportion of common salt varying in the different consignments from 61 to 81 per cent. Orders have already been issued under section 52 of the Bombay Salt Act, 1890, for the confiscation of the *khar* in all the five cases with an option to the traders to redeem the confiscated consignments on payment of a fine calculated at the rate of 8 annas per Bengal maund. The fines would have been heavier, were it not that these cases are the first in which *papdia khar* has been treated as contraband salt, the trade in that substance having been hitherto carried on openly and without hindrance. The importers have therefore been dealt with leniently. There is no doubt that a large trade in this substance has for years been carried on without any attempt at concealment. The general question at issue is therefore one of great importance and the necessity for the exercise of Government control over the manufacture of such substances as saltpetre and *papdia khar* in order to save the British revenue from considerable loss will soon be brought to the notice of Government separately.

Cambay and Janjira.

80. The conditions of the conventions with Cambay and Janjira have as before been faithfully kept and no complaints or difficulties have arisen during the year under report.

SEA CUSTOMS.

81. The following statement gives the various items of which the revenue under Sea Customs for 1896-98 and 1897-98 shown above in paragraph 6 is made up:—

—	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
Imperial Revenue.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Import Sea Customs	70,715 14 1	73,723 11 3	3,007 13 2	.....
Export Sea Customs	11,235 8 8	19,156 6 11	7,920 14 3	.....
Recovery on account of Establishment at private Wharves.	283 9 3	177 5 8	.....	106 3 7
Total Imperial ...	82,235 0 0	93,057 7 10	10,928 11 5	106 3 7
Provincial Revenue.				
Registry Fees under Act XIX of 1838	5,185 6 0	4,386 6 0	.....	799 0 0
Warehouse Rent and Wharfage Fees	1,200 15 9	961 1 6	.....	248 14 3
Fees for amendment and duplicate copies of documents ...	1,100 10 0	1,291 3 0	190 9 0	.....
Sale proceeds of derelict articles	91 11 8	9 0 0	.....	82 10 11
Confiscations and Penalties ...	2,569 5 2	2,163 10 8	.....	405 10 6
Miscellaneous	226 1 8	49 3 6	.....	176 13 9
Total Provincial ...	10,382 1 10	8,860 9 5	190 9 0	1,712 1 5
Grand Total ...	92,617 1 10	1,01,918 1 3	11,119 4 5	1,818 5 0
		Deduct Decrease ...	1,818 5 0	
		Net Increase ...	9,300 15 5	

The increase of Rs. 3,007-13-2 under Import Sea Customs is due to larger importations in Broach and Surat Tálukas of dates, cocoanuts, chunam stones and salted fish.

82. The direct trade between foreign ports out of India and the continental ports of this Department is insignificant, and consists chiefly of salted fish, fruits and vegetables, provisions and stones from Mekran, Muskat and Bassorah. The greater part of the receipts under Import Sea Customs represents the duty levied on Imports from Foreign Indian Ports, especially those in Káthiáwár and the Portuguese possessions. The principal articles on which duty was recovered and the places whence they were imported are shown below:—

Principal Articles of Import.	Amount of Duty.	Whence Imported.
	Rs.	
Liquors—		
Wines	141	Goa.
Salted Fish, wet or dry { Foreign ...	1,792	Muskat, Mekrán and Bussorah.
Salted Fish, wet or dry { Coastwise ...	11,994	Daman, Diu, Goa and Káthiáwár.
Fruits and Vegetables	38,505	Muskat, Mekrán Bussorah, Káthiáwár, Goa, Diu.
Provisions, Oilmanstores and Groceries ...	13,546	Diu, Daman, Goa and Káthiáwár.
Spices	2,546	Káthiáwár, Goa.
Dyeing and Tanning Materials ...	74	Goa.
Metals, unwrought and wrought—		
Articles made of Metals	49	Káthiáwár and Daman.
Oils	23	Káthiáwár and Goa.
Bags, Casks, Boxes, and other packages, empty, of all kinds	51	Muskat and Goa.
Building and Engineering Materials, *viz.* Asphalt, Bricks and Tiles and Cement of all kinds	97	Goa.

Principal Articles of Import.	Amount of Duty.	Whence Imported.
	Rs.	
Chalk	110	Káthiáwár.
Mats and Matting	287	Muskat, Mekran, Goa, and Káthiáwár.
Seeds	55	Káthiáwár.
Stone and Marble, and articles made of Stone and Marble	4,054	Muskat, Bussorah and Káthiáwár.
Wood and Timber, except Firewood and articles made of Wood	44	Mekran and Goa.
All other articles unenumerated under Rs. 20	850	United Kingdom, Muskat, Mekran, Cutch, Káthiáwár, Goa and Daman.
Total ... Rs.	73,724	

The increase of Rs. 7,920-14-3 under "Export Sea Customs" is due to larger exports of rice to Goa from ports in the Ratnágiri and Kanára Ranges.

The decrease of Rs. 799-0-0 under fees for "Registration of cargo boats" is due to a general slackness of trade attributed to plague and consequent fewer transactions.

The decrease of Rs. 248-14-3 under "Warehouse and Wharf Rents" is due to the same cause.

The decrease of Rs. 405-10-6 under "Confiscations and Penalties" is due to fewer and less important cases of infractions of rules and regulations.

The fluctuations under other items are trifling and no remarks are necessary.

Offences under the Sea-Customs Act.

83. The number and results of cases adjudicated during the year under report and in the four previous years are shown in the following table :—

	Number of Cases adjudicated.	Number of Cases dismissed.	Number of Cases in which Penalties were awarded.	Estimated Value of Property confiscated.	Amount of Penalties awarded.
				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Northern Division—					
1893-94	67	...	67	1,108 6 7	369 6 0
1894-95	114	3	111	6,000 7 8	1,248 9 6
1895-96	96	3	93	2,134 9 5	1,767 5 4
1896-97	92	5	87	1,534 10 5	1,491 3 5
1897-98	52	1	51	897 5 0	473 7 11
Southern Division—					
1893-94	251	1	250	6,398 10 3	587 7 0
1894-95	257	5	252	3,791 14 0	705 13 0
1895-96	359	6	353	13,063 6 11	1,040 9 3
1896-97	368	2	366	4,143 3 0	975 6 11
1897-98	420	2	418	5,166 14 4	1,889 5 9
Total—					
1893-94	318	1	317	7,507 0 10	953 13 0
1894-95	371	8	363	9,792 5 8	1,954 6 6
1895-96	455	9	446	15,198 0 4	2,807 14 7
1896-97	460	7	453	5,677 13 5	2,466 9 4
1897-98	472	3	469	6,064 3 1	2,362 13 8

84. The number of cases adjudicated has increased by 12, and as only three cases were dismissed, the cases in which penalties were awarded show an increase of 16 over those of the previous year. The estimated value of confiscations also shows an increase of Rs. 386-5-8, while the amount of penalties awarded shows a decrease of Rs. 103-11-8.

85. In the Northern Division there were three cases of landing goods at unauthorized places, 1 of landing and shipping goods at unauthorised hours, 3 of landing and shipping goods without permission, 11 of landing and shipping unmanifested goods, 3 of not bringing to at the Boarding Station, 4 of landing goods short of the manifested quantity, 8 of landing goods in excess of the manifested quantities, one of anchoring at an unauthorized place, 6 of non-production of documents within 24 hours after anchoring, 4 of non-production of passes within 24 hours after anchoring, 1 of non-production of documents on demand, 1 of giving false account of cargo, 4 of removing goods without payment of duty, and 2 of sailing without port-clearance. In these cases penalties to the extent of Rs. 473-7-11 were inflicted. Northern Division.

86. In the Southern Division there was 1 case of landing goods at unauthorised places, 4 of landing and shipping goods at unauthorized hours, 9 of landing and shipping goods without permission, 25 of landing and shipping unmanifested goods, 54 of not bringing to at the Boarding Station, 6 of landing goods short of the manifested quantity, 20 of landing goods in excess of the manifested quantity, 33 of leaving the proper route of voyage, 2 of landing at foreign ports goods declared for home ports, 2 of anchoring at unauthorized places, 48 of non-production of documents within 24 hours after anchoring, 18 of non-production of passes within 24 hours after anchoring, 18 of non-production of documents on demand, 1 of giving false account of cargo, 2 of removing goods without payment of duty and 177 of sailing without port-clearance. The penalties in these cases amounted to Rs. 1,889-5-9. Southern Division.

87. The number of vessels which entered inwards and cleared outwards at the different ports in the Presidency was 76,125 and 75,611 respectively against 82,810 and 80,307 in the previous year. The decrease must be set down to the influence of plague and the resulting slackness of trade. Clearance of Vessels Inwards and Outwards.

88. The following table shows the declared value of the Import and Export Trade for the 6 years ending 1896-97 and for the year under report. The figures do not include imports and exports of Government Stores and Treasures :— Import & Export Trade.

Year.	Imports.	Exports.
	Rs.	Rs.
1891-92	2,46,36,445	4,51,95,944
1892-93	2,40,14,346	4,53,82,116
1893-94	2,63,96,044	4,29,26,467
1894-95	2,68,30,280	4,40,64,497
1895-96	2,81,64,600	4,43,99,765
1896-97	2,58,43,675	3,70,87,170
Total ...	15,38,85,390	25,90,55,959
Average ...	2,56,47,565	4,31,75,976
1897-98	2,61,48,915	3,76,29,375
Increase ...	5,01,350	.....
Decrease ...	.....	55,46,601

89. The figures for the year under report are more favourable than those of last year and indicate a diminution of the ill effects of the influence exercised by the plague in trade matters. The import figures of the year are above, while those of exports are below the average.

LAND CUSTOMS.

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Duty-collecting Stations.

90. There has been no change in the number of duty-collecting stations on the Daman and Goa Frontiers.

Collections.

91. The collections made at the duty-collecting stations (exclusive of duty on salt) and the fixed *chouth* paid by the Dharampor and Bánsda States were as under :—

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Import Duty	44,823 12 4	29,885 9 11	.....	14,943 2 5
Export Duty	21,253 9 6	39,059 9 7	17,806 0 1	.....
Government share of Land Customs and Transit Duties in the Dharampor and Bánsda States	9,153 8 0	9,153 8 0	.....	.....
Fines and Confiscations	692 11 6	299 12 11	.....	392 14 7
Miscellaneous	102 4 3	182 0 0	79 11 9	.....
Total ...	76,030 13 7	78,580 8 5	17,885 11 10	15,336 1 0

92. The decrease of Rs. 14,943-2-5 in Import Duty is noticeable in Banda, Castle Rock and Daman Tálukas, and is said to be due to the prevalence of plague. The increase of Rs. 17,806-0-1 in Export Duty is due to larger exports of rice owing to failure of crops at Goa.

The decrease of Rs. 392-14-7 under "Fines and Confiscations" is chiefly noticeable at Castle Rock owing to fewer cases in 1897-98.

The increase under Miscellaneous is trifling and calls for no remarks.

Offences.

93. The number and results of the cases adjudicated under the Land Customs Act during the year under report as compared with those in three previous years are shown below :—

		Number of Cases adjudicated.	Number of Cases d mitted.	Number of Cases in which Penalties were awarded.	Estimated Value of Property confiscated.	Amount realized by sale of Confiscated Property and Fines.
					Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Goa Frontier ...	1894-95	222	10	202	940 0 10	169 4 0
	1895-96	322	8	304	6,447 14 6	425 6 7
	1896-97	288	10	261	6,037 14 0	668 5 6
	1897-98	158	7	151	5,074 10 8	334 7 1
Daman Frontier...	1894-95	28	1	27	511 7 5	66 2 9
	1895-96	13	...	13	197 1 3	111 3 10
	1896-97	5	...	5	44 3 5	15 11 0
	1897-98	2	...	2	1 13 6	.....

Goa Frontier.

94. The number of cases on the Goa Frontier fell from 288 in 1896-97 to 158 in the year under report, a decrease of 45·13 per cent. The disturbances in Goa having ceased, the people there were no longer under any necessity of crossing the frontier by unauthorized roads. There were 103 cases of carrying goods by unauthorized roads, 7 of passing goods without application for permission and 48 cases of goods not tallying with inventory given in application for passes.

95. There were only two cases of carrying goods by unauthorized roads on the Daman Frontier. Daman Frontier.

96. The following table shows the quantity of rice exported free of duty under the concession granted by Government in their Resolution No. 5728 of 29th June 1895 in the Revenue Department :— Free Export of Rice.

Names of Routes.	Quantity of Rice.	Duty foregone.
	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
Diggi	10,183 22 69	1,909 14 9
Kundal	8,475 14 57	1,589 2 2
Total ...	18,658 37 46	3,499 0 11

The loss of duty to the British Customs amounts to Rs. 3,500 as against Rs. 3,546 in 1896-97.

97. There has been no change in the Customs arrangements at Castle Rock Railway Station. The complaints of delay were very few and on enquiry it was found that the detentions were due to causes over which this Department had no control. Customs arrangements at Castle-Rock.

98. The relations with both the Southern Marátha and the West of India Portuguese Railway Companies, and with the Sávantvádi State have been satisfactory. Relations with the Railway Administrations and the Sávantvadi State.

99. The Inspection Bungalow at Castle Rock is still in course of construction and an additional sum of Rs. 1,200 has been sanctioned for its completion. It is expected that the bungalow will be ready for occupation by the end of December 1898. Buildings.

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	Gallons Excised.	Duty realized or assessed.
		Rs.
1879-80	477,459	10,56,909
1880-81	502,859	11,51,289
1881-82	596,748	13,57,380
1882-83	723,832	15,98,488
1883-84	889,105	16,92,117
1884-85	892,810	19,55,960
1885-86	1,064,256	23,40,680
1886-87	982,447	21,97,044
1887-88	1,077,407	22,05,478
1888-89	803,786	20,60,908
1889-90	1,185,761	22,35,893
1890-91	1,270,166	28,71,092
1891-92	1,256,702	26,33,238
1892-93	1,348,107	27,49,867
1893-94	1,331,300	26,71,869
1894-95	1,414,704	29,12,562
1895-96	1,456,3844	31,43,590
1896-97	1,318,336	29,26,603
1897-98	1,356,6894	31,31,846

100. The transactions of the Department under this head which are connected with the Uran Distilleries only show an increase of 38,353¼ gallons (or 2·9 per cent.) and of Rs. 2,05,243 (or 7·01 per cent.) in the revenue. The increase in removals is due to a greater portion of the mill hands and other labouring classes in Bombay having remained there instead of fleeing from the plague as they did in 1896-97.

101. The removals during the year may be classified as under :— Removals classified.

Country Liquor.	1896-97. Gals.	pts.	1897-98. Gals.	pts.	Increase. Gals.	pts.	Decrease. Gals.	pts.
For Bombay	456,529	1	554,148	5	77,619	3	...	...
,, Thána and Kolába ...	791,006	3	751,651	5	...	...	39,356	4
,, Ratnágiri and Kárwár.	.....		.....		...	...	...	...
,, Karáchi	40,768	1	41,446	2	686	7	...	...
Total ...	1,318,305	5	1,356,643	5	78,305	4	39,356	4
Rectified Spirits.								
Spirits of Wine	49	4	67	0	6	4	...	
Grand Total ...	1,318,336	1	1,356,689	5	78,310	0	39,356	4

	1896-97. Rs. a. p.	1897-98. Rs. a. p.	Increase. Rs. a. p.	Decrease. Rs. a. p.
Duty assessed and collected	15,98,662 8 5	17,78,761 13 11	2,43,699 5 6	.....
Do. but not do.	12,03,734 15 1	12,24,368 14 0	.....	20,365 1 1
Do. do.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Do. and collected.	1,26,833 6 0	1,28,681 4 0	1,847 14 0	.....
Total ..	29,29,229 13 6	31,31,811 12 11	2,44,547 3 6	20,365 1 1
Duty assessed and collected	373 12 2	434 11 10	61 15 8	...
Grand Total ..	29,29,602 9 3	31,31,846 11 9	2,44,609 3 7	20,365 1 1

Bombay.

102. The increase in removals to Bombay by 77,616⅝ gallons is due to the cause mentioned above.

Thána and Kolába.

103. The removals to Thána and Kolába show a decrease of 39,956½ gallons. This is probably a result of the famine of last year which brought the people of those districts into a condition in which they were unable during the year under report to indulge in the same amount of liquor as before.

Ratnágiri and Kánara.

104. The exports from the Uran Distilleries to the Ratnágiri and Kánara Districts have now entirely ceased as toddy is now manufactured in these districts.

Karáchi.

105. The small increase of 686-7-0 gallons in the removals to Karáchi is due to ordinary fluctuations in trade.

Spirits of Wine.

106. The exports of spirits of wine from the Uran Distilleries to Bombay show a small increase of 6½ gallons. No change was made in the rate of duty, *viz.* Rs. 6 per Imperial gallon of proof-strength with a *pro-rata* addition for increased strength. The average strength and incidence of duty were 54°·16 over-proof and Rs. 9-4-0 respectively as compared withe 53°·3 over-proof and Rs. 9-3-3 in the previous year.

Rate of Duty in Bombay.

107. The rate of duty per gallon charged on removals of country liquor to Bombay was Rs. 3 per Imperial gallon of 25° with a *pro-rata* addition up to 10° U. P. The average strength and incidence of duty were 21°·3 U. P. and Rs. 3-2-4 respectively.

Rates of Duty in Thána and Kolába.

108. The rates of excise duty on liquor removed to the Thána and Kolába Districts were the same as in the previous year, *viz.* Rs. 1-12-0 and Re. 0-14-0 per gallon of 25° U. P. and 60° U. P. respectively for Umbargaon, Rs. 2 and Re. 1 for Dahánu and Máhim respectively, Rs. 2-10-0 and Re. 1-5-0 for Thána, Kalyán, Panvel and Alibág, and Rs. 2-8-0 and Re. 1-4-0 for the rest of the Thána and Kolába Districts respectively.

Rates of Duty to Karáchi.

109. The rate of duty on exports to Karáchi was Rs. 5 per gallon of 12° U. P. and Rs. 3 per gallon on liquor from 25° U. P. to 28° U. P.

Methylated Spirit.

110. No methylated spirit was removed during the year under report.

Collections.

111. The following table shows the total amount collected by the Department during the year as compared with that of the previous year :—

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
1. Still-head Duty on country spirits manufactured at Uran and exported to Bombay ...	15,85,662 8 3	17,78,361 13 11	2,42,699 5 8	...
2. Do. do. do. to Karáchi ...	1,26,633 6 0	1,26,631 4 0	1,847 14 0	...
3. Do. do. do. to Murúd ...	.....	.....	.....	...
4. Do. do. on rectified spirits	372 13 2	434 14 10	61 15 8	....
5. Establishment cess paid by the distillers at the rate of 8 pies per gallon of spirits removed to Bombay, Thána, Kolába, Ratnágiri, Kánara and Karáchi..	41,231 2 3	42,401 3 9	1,170 1 6	.....
6. Miscellaneous	217 6 1	228 7 8	11 1 7	...
Total ...	17,04,317 2 11	19,50,107 9 2	2,45,790 6 3	.....

The increase under items 1, 2 and 5 is due to larger removals to Bombay and Karáchi and in item No. 4 to larger exports of spirits of wine to Bombay. The increase of Rs. 11-1-7 in item No. 6 is insignificant.

Expenditure.

112. The expenditure incurred by this Department in connection with the management of the Uran Distilleries during 1897-98 as compared with 1896-97 is shown below :—

Expenditure.

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1. Pay of establishment	28,660 11 4	27,872 7 2	.....	788 4 2
2. Travelling allowance to establishment	83 12 6	20 9 0	.....	14 3 6
3. Petty supply allowance ...	120 0 0	116 0 0	.....	4 0 0
4. Service stamps and postage ...	74 0 0	79 0 0	.....	5 0 0
5. Dead-stock articles	28 6 0	50 5 0	21 15 0	.....
6. Refund of establishment cess ...	18,338 5 7	12,630 7 6	.....	5,707 14 1
7. Telegram charges	.....	.....	.....	.....
8. Clothing for peons	429 13 9	946 8 0	516 10 3	.....
9. Municipal taxes	.....	26 0 0	26 0 0	.....
10. Hutting money	431 5 9	428 7 6	.....	2 14 3
11. Petty construction and repairs ...	228 6 6	5 0 0	.....	223 6 6
12. Grain compensation	490 8 0	1,168 10 2	738 2 2	.....
13. Rents	176 2 1	78 0 0	.....	98 2 1
14. Purchase of boats	.....	4 0 0	4 0 0	.....
15. Arms and accoutrements ...	.....	40 12 0	40 12 0	.....
16. Rewards	.....	100 0 0	100 0 0	.....
Total ...	44,021 7 6	38,595 2 4	1,417 7 5	6,873 12 7
		Deduct Increase ...	1,417 7 5	
		Net Decrease ...	5,456 5 2	

The decrease in item No. 1 is due to less payments on account of leave and acting allowances.

The decrease in item No. 6 of Rs. 5,707-14-1 is due to less recoveries on account of establishment cess in 1896-97.

The increase of Rs. 738-2-2 in item No. 12 is due to grain compensation having been paid throughout the year and not during part of it only as in 1896-97.

The increase of Rs. 516-10-3 in item No. 8 is due to both warm and light clothing having been issued to the Peons.

The variations in other items are trifling and call for no remarks.

113. The charges on account of petty supply, dead-stock articles and petty repairs were incurred from the contract grant of Rs. 200 for the Uran Distilleries, and no excess expenditure over the total grant has occurred during the year.

114. The number of stills licensed during the year was 50, or two more than in the previous year, but only 47 were worked. Number of Stills.

ALLOWANCES AND ASSIGNMENTS.

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115. The expenditure incurred under this head during the year under review amounted to Rs. 16,599-12-8 against Rs. 14,254-11-11 in the previous year. Of this amount Rs. 2,593-1-7 were paid in accordance with the awards of the Mixed Commission to the proprietors of salt works in Goa against Rs. 279-13-5 paid in the year previous, and Rs. 14,006-11-1 were expended on account of Service Haks as against Rs. 13,974-14-6 in 1896-97.

LOCAL FUNDS.

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116. The rates of port-dues in both the Northern and Southern groups remained unaltered during the year, *viz.* 3 annas per ton in case of sailing vessels and 4½ annas per ton in the case of steamers, payment at any port of the group clearing the vessel at all ports of the same group for 30 days. Rates of Port Dues.

117. The surplus balances invested in Government paper on account of the Northern and Southern Groups at the end of the year were— Investment of Surplus Balances.

Northern Group Ports Fund	...	...	...Rs. 92,100
Southern ditto	...	...	... „ 1,48,700

Buoys, Beacons and Light-houses.

118. The buoys, beacons and light-houses were effectually maintained and kept in good order during the year.

Lights.

119. The number of coast and harbour lights maintained during the year was the same as that during the previous year, *viz.*, 25, of which 8 are in the Northern Division and 17 in the Southern Division.

Quarters for light-keepers at the two new lights at Jaygad were completed during the year.

The new light at Harnai has not yet been put up. The work is nearing completion, and it is expected that the light will be exhibited after the rains.

The new lamp and panes required for the Oyster Rocks Light-house, Kárwár, sanctioned in Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 874 of the 8th February last, have been indented for from England, and are expected to arrive shortly.

Collections.

120. The following table shows the revenue collected during the year as compared with that of the previous year:—

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Northern Ports Fund—				
Port-dues	26,627 13 5	25,958 8 3	.....	669 5 0
Proceeds of goods washed ashore	1,287 8 2	1,823 10 5	536 2 3	.....
Proceeds of useless articles ...	66 7 5	64 10 0	.....	1 13 5
Advances refunded by the Public Works Department.	212 9 9	281 8 2	68 14 5	.....
Miscellaneous	67 1 0	33 5 5	.....	33 11 7
Interest on Government Promissory Notes	3,059 8 6	3,235 7 2	175 14 8	.....
Total Northern Division...	31,251 0 3	31,397 1 7	780 15 4	704 14 0
Southern Ports Fund—				
Port dues	43,510 3 9	43,977 3 6	466 15 9	.....
Proceeds of goods washed ashore	581 1 9	1,097 4 0	5 6 3 0	.....
Proceeds of useless articles...	34 1 6	128 8 0	94 6 6	.....
Advances refunded by the Public Works Department.	915 4 2	2,017 15 6	1,102 11 4	.....
Miscellaneous	40 3 6	34 5 2	.....	5 14 4
Interest on Government Promissory Notes	4,196 7 10	4,987 10 3	791 2 5	...
Fines	13 0 0	5 0 0	.....	8 0 0
Contribution for Wharves ...	660 0 0	605 0 0	.....	55 0 0
Total Southern Division...	49,950 6 6	52,852 15 2	2,971 7 0	68 14 4
Grand Total ...	81,201 6 9	84,220 0 9	3,752 6 4	773 12 4
		Deduct—Decrease	773 12 4	
		Net Increase	2,978 10 0	

Northern Group.

121. The increase of Rs. 536-2-3 in the proceeds of goods washed ashore is due to increased realizations at Dholera, Tárápur and Umbargám Tálukas.

The increase of Rs. 175-14-8 is due to interest having accrued during the *whole* year on the increased investment of Rs. 13,000 made in 1896-97 as against a *portion* of the year preceding.

The increase of Rs. 68-14-5 in the advances refunded by the Public Works Department is trifling.

The decrease of Rs. 669-5-0 in the Port Dues was caused by a decline in trade in the Surat Táluka.

The decreases under other items are trifling and call for no remarks.

Southern Group.

122. The increase of Rs. 466-15-9 is due to larger realizations of port dues as compared with those of the past year on account of briskness of trade.

The increase of Rs. 516-3-0 in the proceeds of goods washed ashore is due to increase in the Ghodbandar, Bánkot, Ratnágiri and Málvan Tálukas. Southern Group.

The increase of Rs. 1,102-11-4 in the advances recovered from the Public Works Department is due to the inclusion under that head of the recovery of Rs. 1,900 advanced to Mr. McCann for constructing quarters for the establishments at Jaygad and Harnai Light-houses.

The increase of Rs. 791-2-5 in the interest in Government Securities is due to a fresh investment of Rs. 20,000 made in April 1897.

The decrease of Rs. 55 in contribution for wharves is due to the contribution for March 1898 not being paid by Messrs. Shepherd and Company in that month.

The variations in other items are trifling.

123. The various items of expenditure incurred by this Department from the Port Funds during the year are contrasted below with the corresponding items in 1896-97 :— Expenditure.

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
Northern Ports Fund.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Collection and Management—				
Establishment	338 0 4	339 2 3	1 1 11	.....
Contingencies	12 0 0	79 8 0	67 8 0	.....
Contribution to Coast-guard Establishment	5,000 0 0	5,000 0 0	.....	.....
Removals of Wells	773 4 4	849 13 5	76 9 1	.....
Pension and Gratuities	302 4 3	316 12 11	14 8 8	.....
Grain Compensation	5 14 5	17 8 0	11 9 7	.....
Vessels, Boats, and Buoys—				
Establishment	530 0 0	529 0 0	.....	1 0 0
Contingencies	190 11 5	285 12 0	95 0 7	.....
Investment in Government Securities	14,475 7 10	.....	.....	14,475 7 10
Purchase and Maintenance of Buoys	63 7 0	13 12 0	.....	49 11 0
Ferry Hire	30 0 0	34 8 0	4 8 0	.....
Grain Compensation	20 0 0	52 8 0	32 8 0	.....
Beacons and Light-houses—				
Establishment	4,385 14 4	4,599 4 6	213 6 2	.....
Contingencies	2,480 15 3	2,395 1 6	.....	85 13 9
Travelling Allowance to establishment	33 0 6	19 3 6	.....	13 13 0
Grain Compensation	136 2 4	354 1 10	217 15 6	.....
Refunds	16 7 9	24 0 5	7 8 8	.....
Accountant General's Audit Fees ...	100 0 0	92 0 0	.....	8 0 0
Construction and Repairs—				
By Public Works Agency ...	17,306 0 0	9,570 0 0	.....	7,736 0 0
By Civil Agency	351 5 11	535 9 2	184 3 3	.....
Total Northern Ports Fund ...	46,550 15 8	25,107 9 6	926 7 5	22,369 13 7
Southern Ports Fund.				
Collection and Management—				
Pay of Port Officer	240 4 1	.....	.....	240 4 1
Do. of Establishment	1,015 8 2	997 13 2	.....	17 11 0
Contingencies	130 7 9	87 9 4	.....	42 14 5
Contribution to Coast-guard Establishment	5,000 0 0	5,000 0 0	.....	.....
Investment in Government Securities	18,862 9 4	19,560 15 6	698 6 2	.....
Pensions and Gratuities	307 2 8	425 15 8	118 13 0	.....
Grain Compensation	24 0 0	45 4 7	21 4 7	.....
Vessels, Boats, and Buoys—				
Establishment	2,266 11 7	2,270 9 1	3 13 6	.....
Contingencies	1,909 6 7	1,447 14 0	.....	462 8 7
Purchase and Maintenance of Buoys	3,062 11 8	1,820 0 3	.....	1,242 11 5
Contribution to Life Boat... ...	300 0 0	300 0 0	.....	.....
Grain Compensation	107 6 8	284 7 4	137 0 8	.....

Expenditure.

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Southern Ports Fund—continued.				
Beacons and Light-houses—				
Establishment	11,459 0 11	11,878 9 3	419 8 4	.....
Contingencies	8,746 0 10	8,977 13 7	231 12 9	.....
Refunds	212 1 6	55 7 3	.....	156 10 3
Removal of Waifs and Salvage ...	360 1 0	341 15 8	.....	18 1 4
Travelling Allowance to Establishment	35 5 9	44 12 0	9 6 3	.....
Accountant General's Audit Fees ...	152 0 0	156 0 0	4 0 0	.....
Grain Compensation	319 12 3	887 11 3	567 15 0	.....
Construction and Repairs—				
By Public Works Agency ...	5,893 0 0	7,789 0 0	1,896 0 0	.....
By Civil Agency	3,231 2 6	5,725 6 8	2,494 4 2	.....
Total Southern Ports Fund ..	63,544 13 3	68,067 4 7	6,712 4 5	2,189 13 1
Total Northern and Southern ...	1,10,005 12 11	93,174 14 1	7,638 11 10	24,559 10 8
			Deduct—Increase ..	7,638 11 10
			Net Decrease ..	16,920 14 10

Northern Gujarat.

124. The increase of Rs. 67-8-0 in contingencies is due to a reward of Rs. 50 paid at Tarápur and to a charge of Rs. 17-8-0 incurred for the purchase of Local Fund Forms from the Press.

The increase of Rs. 76-9-1 in the expenditure on removal of waifs is due to increased charges incurred in recovering waifs from the sea at Dholera.

The increase of Rs. 95-0-7 in Vessels and Boats contingencies is due to two new toneys having been supplied to the Dandi and Kosamba Light-houses.

The increase of Rs. 213-6-2 in the Light-house establishment is due to the full complement of the spare hands establishment being engaged throughout the year, whereas it was entertained for only a portion of the year 1896-97.

The increase of Rs. 14-8-8 in Pensions and Gratuities is due to the amount of pension sanctioned during the year.

The increase of Rs. 184-3-3 in "Petty Construction and Repairs" by Civil Agency is due to larger expenditure being incurred for repairs to the Port Fund buildings at Balsár.

The increase of the marginally noted items under "Grain Compensation" is due to the grant of compensation throughout the year, whereas in 1896-97 it was paid only for five months.

Rs. 31-9-7 Collection and Management Establishment.
" 32-8-0 Vessels and Boat Establishment.
" 217-15-6 Light-house Establishment.

The decrease of Rs. 85-13-9 under "Light-house Contingencies" is due to a decrease in stores supplied to the Light-houses in the Surat Táluka during the year under report.

The decrease of Rs. 49-11-0 under "Purchase and Maintenance of Buoys" is due to no stores having been supplied to the Tápti River Buoys as was done last year.

The decrease of Rs. 7,736 under "Petty Construction and Repairs by Public Works Agency" is due to no expenditure having been incurred in connection with the jetty at Surat against Rs. 10,253 in 1896-97. Two additional groynes at the cost of Rs. 3,572 were, however, built during the year under report on the Auranga River near Balsár, while Rs. 1,725 only were expended for the purpose in 1896-97.

The decrease of Rs. 14,475-7-10 under investment in Government Securities is due to no funds being available for investment during the year.

The fluctuations in other items are trifling and require no remarks.

Southern Group.

125. The increase of Rs. 698-6-2 under "Investment in Government Securities" is due to the purchase of Government Promissory Notes of the nominal value of Rs. 20,000 in 1897-98 against Rs. 17,000 in the preceding year. The increase is much less than what it would have been had not the market value of the notes been considerably lower than in 1896-97.

The increase of Rs. 118-13-0 under "Pensions and Gratuities" is due to payment of Pensions and Gratuities sanctioned during the year.

The increase of the marginally noted items under "Grain Compensation" is due to the same causes as those explained under the similar item under the Northern Ports Fund.

Rs. 21-4-7 Collections and Management Establishment.
" 567-15-0 Light-house Establishment.
" 157-0-8 Vessels and Boat Establishment.

The increase of Rs. 419-8-4 under "Light-house establishment" is due to the full number of spare hands having been engaged during the year, whereas in 1896-97 the establishment was short by two hands. Besides, the establishment at the new light-houses at Jaygad was kept up throughout the year under report as against ten months in the previous year.

The increase of Rs. 231-12-2 under "Light-house contingencies" is due to a greater amount of stores having been supplied during the year to Vengurla, Kárwár and Ankola light-houses.

The increase of Rs. 1,986 under "Petty Construction and Repairs" by Public Works agency is due to the inclusion under this head of Rs. 1,900 advanced to and afterwards recovered from Mr. McCann against an advance of Rs. 800 only in the preceding year. An additional expenditure of Rs. 862 was incurred in the year 1897-98 for special repairs to the wharf wall at Vengurla and to the Ratnágiri light-house, and for survey for a pier at Ratnágiri and that of the Thána creek, while no such expenditure was incurred in 1896-97.

The increase of Rs. 2,494-4-2 under "Petty construction and repairs by Civil agency" is due to the erection of the new light-house at Harnai and the construction of quarters for the establishment there.

The decrease of Rs. 249-4-1 under "Pay of Port Officer" is due to the post having been abolished under the orders of Government contained in Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 3250, dated the 28th April 1896.

The decrease of Rs. 42-14-5 under "Collection and Management contingencies" is due to no gunpowder having been purchased during the year for the signal gun at Kárwár as was the case last year.

The decrease of Rs. 462-8-7 under "Vessels and Boats contingencies" is due to no expenditure having been incurred in connection with the Red Light-boat at Málvan as was done in the previous year.

The decrease of Rs. 1,242-11-5 under "Purchase and maintenance of Buoys" is due to no expenditure having been incurred for the Johnstone Castle and Parker Rock buoys at Málvan and Kárwár.

The decrease of Rs. 156-10-3 under "Refunds" is due to no refunds having been made during the year.

The variations in other items are trifling and call for no remarks.

Uninvested Balances.

126. The uninvested balances on the 31st March 1898 are shown below :—

LIBRARY OF THE BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY

	Northern Group Ports Fund.	Southern Group Ports Fund.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Balance on 1st April 1897	12,634 9 9	47,077 0 2
Receipts in 1897-98	31,427 0 7	52,852 15 2
Total ...	44,061 10 4	99,929 15 4
Less Expenditure incurred in 1897-98 ...	25,107 9 6	68,067 4 7
Balance on 31st March 1898 ...	18,954 0 10	31,862 10 9

127. The following are the particulars of other Excluded Local Funds in charge of this Department. The figures under Tankaria, Dharam Talão and Cambay and Jambusar Ferry Funds make up the totals shown under Local Funds in the table subjoined to para. 6 :—

Tankaria Dharam Talão Fund.

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
Revenue	62 4 0	69 0 0	6 12 0	...
Expenditure	60 0 0	60 0 0	...	...

Cambay and Jambusar Ferry Fund.

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
Revenue	55 3 0	59 15 0	4 12 0	...
Expenditure	...	...	...	...

Horse Fund.

Items.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.
Revenue ...	8,094 2 2	4,188 15 0	.....	3,905 3 2
Expenditure ...	6,207 13 6	3,584 14 0	.....	2,622 15 6

NATIVE PASSENGER SHIPS ACT.

NATIVE PASSENGER SHIPS ACT.

128. During the year under report there were only three cases under the Act, all in the Surat Range, where three Tindals of the native craft were prosecuted for carrying an excess number of passengers. Two were convicted and sentenced and the third died while the case against him was proceeding.

129. Messrs. Shepherd and Co. continued to monopolize the cargo and passenger traffic by steamers from Bombay to Jaygad, Marmugoa and Mangalore.

NATIVE PASSENGER SHIPS ACT.

130. The system of licensing boats for the conveyance of passengers between the steamers and ports of call has worked smoothly. There was only one case of infraction of the terms of a license and in that the Tindal was prosecuted before and punished by a Magistrate.

CONTRABAND OPIUM.

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131. There were 40 cases of contraband opium detected by men of the Northern Frontier Preventive Force, most of them of a petty nature, the total quantity seized being only 1 maund 35 seers and 24$\frac{7}{8}$ tolas. In the previous year there were 86 seizures in which the quantity of opium concerned was 1 maund 11 seers and 69$\frac{15}{28}$ tolas. Forty persons were arrested during the year under report, of whom 37 were prosecuted and 3 were released departmentally. Thirty-six were convicted and one acquitted, the percentage of conviction on the number prosecuted being 97·29 against 93·1 in the preceding year. The estimated value of confiscations amounted to Rs. 2,060-4-2$\frac{1}{2}$ against Rs. 1,402-13-4 in the previous year. The increase of Rs. 657-6-10$\frac{1}{2}$ in the estimated value of confiscations is due partly to the fact that cash amounting to Rs. 414 was seized in one of the cases and partly to the increase in the quantity of the opium seized.

132. There have been only two seizures of opium exceeding 10 seers, the number of such seizures being the same as in the previous year. These cases were detected by Mr. Boyd, one at the Anand Railway Station and the other at Fatehpur, táluka Dehegam, Gáikwár Territory, the amount of opium seized being 24 seers and 10 tolas and 30 seers respectively. The opium in the latter case was found buried in the ground and no arrest was made in connection with its discovery.

PETROLEUM.

PETROLEUM.

133. The quantity of petroleum imported at Castle Rock during the year was 1,452,814 against 1,555,492 in 1896-97, a falling off of 7·6 per cent. This decrease is attributed by Mr. Pogson to the competition of oil imported in bulk at Bombay and Madras and sent up-country by rail.

CONCLUDING REMARKS.

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134. The maps attached to the report are similar to those used for reports in previous years.

135. No casualty occurred amongst the Superior Staff of the Department during the year under report.

CONDUCT OF ESTABLISHMENT.

136. Ten Sepoys were dismissed the Service, 21 Peons were degraded, 541 Peons and 37 Sowars were fined and 115 Peons and 4 Sowars resigned or deserted the Service on the Northern Frontier. These figures are somewhat less satisfactory than those shown in last year's report.

Northern Frontier.

Khárágheda Range.

137. In the Khárágheda Range 21 Sepoys were fined, one Sepoy was dismissed, 7 resigned, 5 deserted and 6 died.

Surat Range.

138. In the Surat Range one Kárkún was dismissed for collecting illegal fees from masters of vessels, and 6 Peons and 2 Khallásees for various offences.

Southern Division.

139. In the Southern Division one Kárkún was struck off the list for being absent without leave for a long time. Of the menial establishment, 41 were dismissed for various offences and 8 deserted.

Goa Frontier.

140. On the Goa Frontier one Kárkún was dismissed for destroying two books forming a portion of Government records, and one Náik and 18 Peons were dismissed for various offences.

CONCLUDING REMARKS.

Plague Duties.

141. The services of the officers and men of the Department continued to be at the disposal of the Plague authorities wherever required. The Local Customs Establishments at the Coast Ports exerted themselves well to carry out the plague regulations, with the result that almost all the ports were kept free from the disease. The Daman Frontier, which was in Mr. Judge's charge, has again been entirely successful as a plague cordon in keeping out infection from Daman. The results obtained during the last two seasons were highly satisfactory and were due to the discipline and efficiency of the men serving on the Daman Frontier and the zeal and carefulness of their officers. To Mr. Judge the greatest credit is due for the thoroughness of his arrangements on the Frontier, and he has deserved and received high praise for his exertions in connection with the plague in the city of Surat. The services of Mr. Jardine, Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Uran Range, were temporarily placed at the disposal of the Chairman, Plague Committee, Poona, from the 11th December 1897 to the 6th March 1898.

142. Mr. Jenkins held the appointment of Collector for practically the whole of the year under report, but it is not necessary to say anything of his work, as Government have already expressed their opinion of the services he has rendered to the Department which was for five years in his charge. As I received charge of this office at the end of March only and had to spend most of the remainder of the travelling season in Broach I have not been able personally to see much of the work of the superior officers of the Department. To Mr. Cotgrave, the Deputy Collector, whose long experience in the Department renders him a most useful officer, I am indebted for valuable advice on various points. He takes care to acquaint himself thoroughly with the details of all questions which come before him and is tactful in his dealings with subordinates and with the merchants connected with the salt trade.

143. Messrs. Bulkley and Close are doing very good work at Khárághoda and on the Northern Frontier. During my visit to Khárágboda in the hot weather, I was much struck by the excellence of Mr. Bulkley's arrangements for the Storage Work and by his thorough acquaintance with all its details. Mr. Close has no easy task in preserving discipline in the large force which is in his charge, but he has administered his Range very satisfactorily during the year. Mr. Judge's work in connection with the plague has been alluded to above in this report. In consequence of his being detained in Surat for that work he was not able to tour much in his Range, but otherwise his ordinary duties were carefully attended to and the efficiency of the Daman Frontier cordon was due in large measure to his exertions. Mr. Pogson has as usual done excellent work on the Goa Frontier, and is much to be commended for his tact in dealing with the Railway authorities at Castle Rock. Mr. McCann, the Assistant Collector in charge Coast Guard Service, has performed his inspection duties with care and attention and his thorough practical acquaintance with the work of boat-building makes him an invaluable officer of the Department.

144. Mr. N. R. Oliver was absent on furlough throughout the year under report.

145. The Chief Account Office was in charge of Mr. Hill from the 1st April to the 5th December 1897 and again from the 6th January 1898 to the 18th March. During Mr. Hill's absence on privilege leave his work was entrusted to Mr. Krishnarao Narsinh. From the 19th to 31st March the office was in charge of Mr. Thom. Throughout the year the work was carried out in a manner so satisfactory as to elicit the commendation of the Accountant General in his annual report, and for this much credit is due to the officers concerned and particularly to Mr. Hill. Mr. Thom was in charge of the Thána Range for nearly the whole year, and his work has been satisfactory.

Mr. Jardine worked well at Uran while in charge of the Range, and also did good service in Poona in connection with the plague. During Mr. Jardine's absence on plague duty, Mr. Lake, Inspector, Northern Frontier, acted as Assistant Collector in charge Uran Range and showed himself to be a promising officer in that capacity. Amongst the other officers of the Department who have done good work during the year I would specially mention Messrs. Hutchinson (Superintendent Main Stores, Khárighoda), Khán Sáheb Ghulam Mustapha (Inspector, Pritchard Salt Works), Mr. Carrel (Supervisor, Uran Distilleries), Mr. Pearsen (Preventive Officer, Bhayndar), Khán Sáheb Ardeshir Edalji (Preventive Officer, Karanja), Mr. C. Pain (Customs Manager, Castle Rock), Mr. Brendon (Inspector Castle Rock), and Mr. Sinclair (Preventive Officer, Chándni Bandar). Khán Sáheb Ghulam Mustapha will retire shortly, and his loss will be much felt at Khárighoda, where he has done a great deal during the last 6 years to raise the Pritchard Salt Works to the high standard of efficiency to which they have now attained.

146. Of the Sarkarkuns who have worked well, I would note the names of Messrs. Harischandra Gopalji, Sitaram Mahipat, Tripurashunker Sanmukhram, Govind Vithal Kelkar, Vinayakrao Madhavrao Moray, Ramchandra Yeshvant Phanse, Thakurdas Narsidas Mehta, Ramchandra Jivaji Lotlikar, Luxman Mahadev Moudkar, and Mangesh Shivrao Baiwalli. Of the Inspectors Messrs. Wadham, Threlfall, Gustadji and Kharsetji of the Coast Guard Service have done good work, the latter two specially in connection with the plague, and Messrs. Smith, Lake, Neale, Akberali, Gulam Yasin, Devlin and Jukes have been active and careful in the performance of their duties on the frontiers.

147. To my own Head Clerk, Mr. Dayabhai Surajlal Thathi, and my Chitnis, Mr. Jairam Raghunath Kharkar, I am particularly indebted for the assistance they have rendered to me as an officer new to the Department, and for the state of efficiency in which they have kept the office of the Collector.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

H. O. QUIN,
Acting Collector of Salt Revenue

NORTHERN PORTION.

SOUTHERN PORTION.

MAP

OF THE

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY,

PREPARED FOR THE

COLLECTOR OF SALT REVENUE.

Scale 32 Miles to an Inch

REFERENCES

Preventive Frontier Line

Ports

Salt Works

Light Houses & Light Houses

Buoys

Portuguese Territory

MAP
of the
DAMAN FRONTIER
prepared for the
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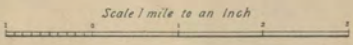

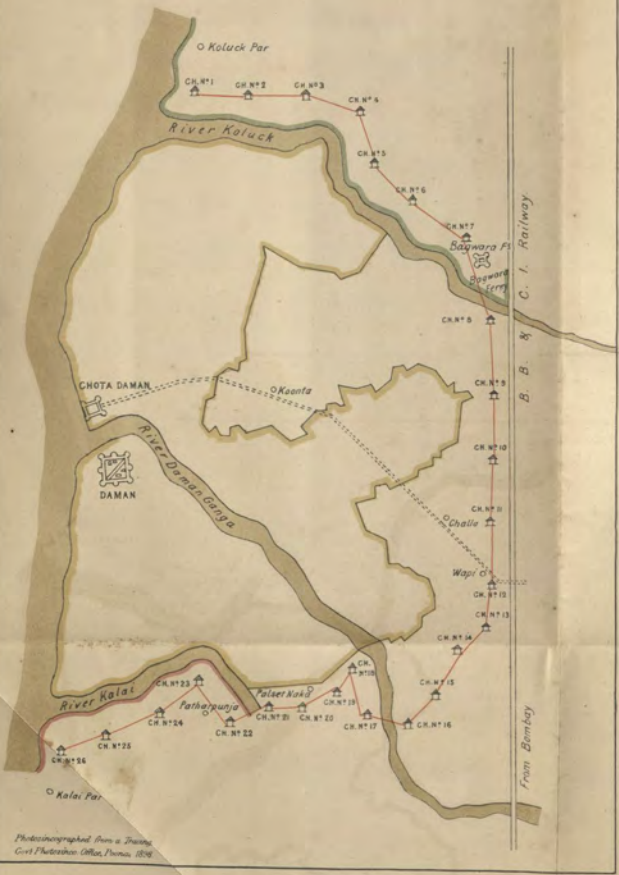

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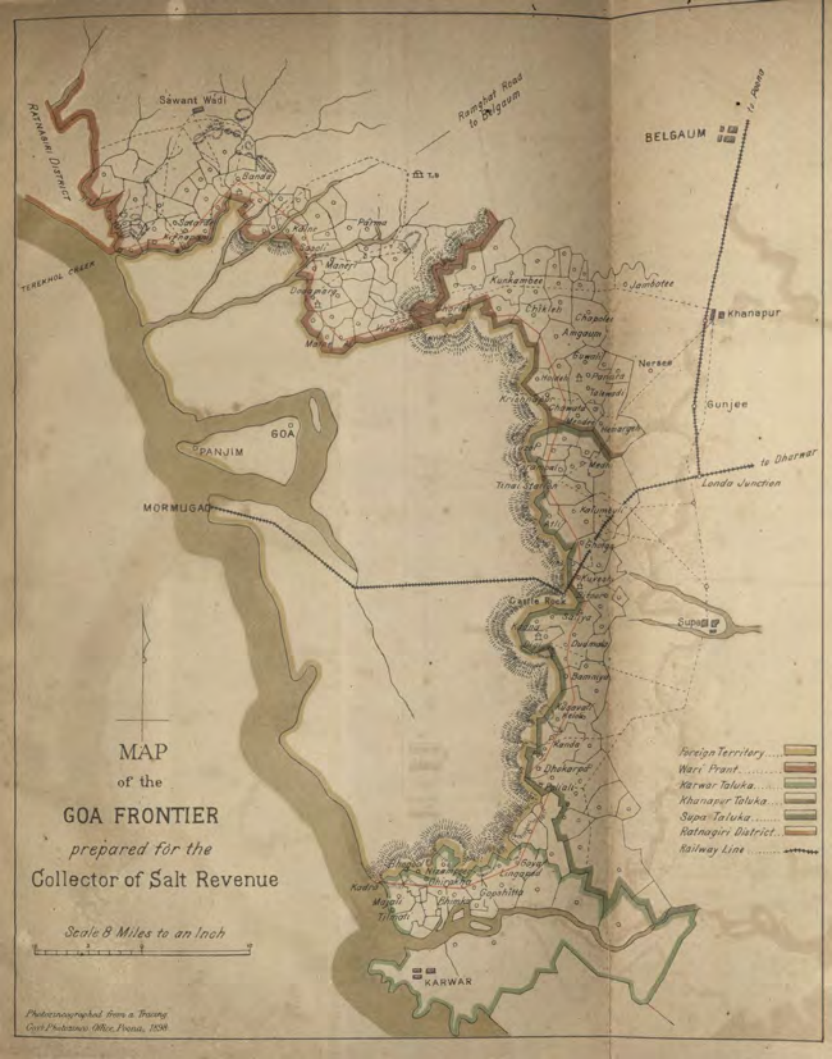
MAP
of the
GOA FRONTIER
prepared for the
Collector of Salt Revenue
Scale 8 Miles to an Inch
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RATNAGIRI DISTRICT
TEREKHOL CREEK
Sawant Wadi
Ramghat Road to Belgaum
BELGAUM
to Poona
Banda
Kalas
Parme
Maney
Kunkambee
Jamboties
Chikleh
Chapoles
Angaum
Khanapur
Nersee
Gunjee
Hosheh
Talwadi
GOA
PANJIM
MORMUGAO
to Dharwar
Londa Junction
Castle Rock
Supa
Foreign Territory
Wari Prant
Karwar Taluka
Khanapur Taluka
Supa Taluka
Ratnagiri District
Railway Line
KARWAR

Statement No. I., showing the Sanctioned Strength of Establishment of the Salt Department according to Grades for the year 1897-98.

	Rs. 1,500.	Rs. 1,200.	Rs. 840.	Rs. 600.	Rs. 480.	Rs. 420.	Rs. 360.	Rs. 300.	Rs. 275.	Rs. 250.	Rs. 225.	Rs. 200.	Rs. 150.	Rs. 125.	Rs. 100.	Rs. 75 to 90.	Rs. 51 to 70.	Rs. 31 to 50.	Rs. 11 to 25.	Rs. 10 and below.	Total.	Remarks.
Collector	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Deputy Collector ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Assistant Collectors ...	...	...	3	2	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	
Coast Guard Inspectors ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	2	...	1	2	...	6	...	...	...	15	
Superior and Assistant Superintendent, Urán Distilleries	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Superintendent of Salt Depôt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	
Sár-Kárkúns, Special Officer and Customs Manager ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	4	...	3	4	4	12	3	...	...	35	
Daroga and Preventive Officers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	3	7	1	2	...	...	...	17	
Inspectors	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	2	5	2	5	...	...	2	1	7	1	...	...	31	
English Clerks and Accountants	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	3	2	5	64	37*	...	115	*Includes one Company's officer on Rs. 15.
Kárkúns	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	219	422	...	645	
Residars	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	3	
Mounted Force	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	...	100	
Petty Officers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	421	22	446	
Sepoys	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,492	4,492		
Khalasis, Watermen, Pressmen and Menials	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	77	354	635		
Total ...	1	1	3	2	4	2	2	7	1	5	10	6	16	1	7	21	8	35	398	907	4,588	6353

Total for 1896-97 ... 6,358
Minus net decrease as per details given below ... 5
6,353

8. Increase—
Establishments at the Fish-curing yards opened at Ratnágiri and sanctioned in the Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 6836, dated 4th September 1897—
1 Peon at Rs. 9 for 12 months.
1 Karkun at Rs. 20 for 3 months.
2 Peons at Rs. 8 each for 9 months.
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Establishments at the Fish-curing yard opened at Devbag in the Malvan Táluka and sanctioned in the Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 6837, dated 4th September 1897—
2 Peons at Rs. 9 for 12 months.
1 Karkun at Rs. 20 for 3 months.
2 Peons at Rs. 8 each for 9 months.
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10 Decrease—
Decrease in the Shiotri Establishments in the Ghodbandar Táluka, vide Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 5304, dated 27th July 1897—
1 Peon at Rs. 9 for 4 months.

The following places in the Bulsar Táluka have been reduced as they were vacant for more than a year, vide Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 9311, dated 23rd November 1896—
1 Naik at Rs. 10 for 6 months.
6 Peons at Rs. 9 each for 6 months.
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H. O. QUIN,
Acting Collector of Salt Revenue.

Statement No. II., showing the Constitution and Operations

Number and Names of Divisions.	Number of Talukas.	Names of Talukas.	Names of Collectorates and Districts.	STRENGTH OF SANCTIONED: Collector.	Deputy Collector.	Assistant Collectors.	Coast Guard Inspectors.	Sir-Sarkuns, Daroghas, Inspectors, Supervisors, Depôt Superintendents.	English Writers.
Northern Division.	1	Northern Frontier Preventive Line.	Pálunpur ... Káthiáwár ... Ahmedabad ...	...	...	1	...	17	2
	2	Khárágholda and Ahmedabad Depôts	Ahmedabad	...	...	1	...	6	13
	3	Dholera	Ahmedabad ...	...	...	...	...	1	1
	4	Gogha		...	...	...	...	1	1
	5	Cambay	Kaira	...	...	...	...	1	...
	6	Jambusar	Broach ...	...	...	...	...	1	1
	7	Broach		...	...	...	...	1	1
	8	Surat	Surat	...	...	1	7	1	3
	9	Dharasna		...	...	...	...	2	...
	10	Bulsar		...	...	...	...	1	1
	11	Daman Frontier ...	Surat Thána	...	...	...	...	3	...
Southern Division.	12	Umbargaon	Thana	...	...	...	...	1	1
	13	Tarapur		...	...	...	...	1	1
	14	Bassein		...	...	...	...	2	1
	15	Ghodbandur		...	...	...	...	3	1
	16	Trombay		...	1	2	7	5	4
	17	Matunga	Bombay	...	...	...	...	2	1
	18	Panvel	Kolába	...	...	...	...	2	1
	19	Uran		...	...	1	...	6	10
	20	Karanja		...	...	...	...	3	1
	21	Sankse		...	...	...	...	2	1
	22	Alibag		...	...	...	...	1	1
	23	Suvurndurg	Ratnágiri ...	...	...	...	...	1	1
	24	Anjanvel		...	...	...	...	1	2
	25	Ratnagiri		...	...	1	...	1	1
	26	Vizíadurg		...	...	...	...	1	1
	27	Malvan		...	...	...	...	1	1
	28	Vengurla		...	...	...	...	2	...
	29	Shiroda		...	...	...	...		
	30	Kárwár	North Kánara ...	...	...	1	...	1	3
	31	Ankola		...	...	...	...	1	6
	32	Honavar		...	...	...	...		2
	33	Bombay	Bombay	1	...	2	..	...	48
	34	Duty collecting Station, Castle Rock ...	Goa Frontier ..	...	...	1	1	14	3
	35	Do. Banda ...							
	36	Do. Kelghat ...							
	37	Do. Digi ...							
		Total ...	.....	1	1	11	15	89	115

Establishment.				Salt.					
Karkuns	Mounted Force.	Amalahs, Sepoys, Khalasis and other Menials.	Total.	Number of Sazas.	Number of Salt Works.	Quantity produced			
						Mds.	s.	t.	
25	103	1,037	1,[illegible]	...	...	.....			
17	...	237	274	2	2	2,159,156	22	0	
4	...	13	19	...	...	....			
1	...	9	12	...	...	....			
1	...	14	16	...	...	.....			
3	...	40	45	...	...	.....			
5	...	20	27C	...	...	....			
13	...	128	141	...	...	.....			
10	...	63	81	1	1	799,547	0	0	
8	...	55	73	...	...	.....			
9	...	260	27[illegible]	...	...	.....			
8	...	42	5[illegible]	1	1	7,152	0	0	
9	...	36	47	...	...	....			
43	...	291	357	7	28	1,430,521	10	0	
58	...	315	407	9	46	1,984,859	30	0	
52	...	285	356D	4	24	706,258	10	0	
34	...	136	223	6	25	945,015	30	0	
33	...	171	207	6	19	472,032	16	0	
62	...	403	585E	11	87	1,881,813	30	0	
29	...	103	196	4	28	631,320	0	0	
34	...	182	219	5	32	423,097	5	0	
9	...	42	53F	...	...	.....			
9	...	25	36	...	...	.....			
9	...	24	35	...	...	.....			
15	...	68	87F	...	...	.....			
11	...	33	51	...	...	.....			
8	...	30	40	...	...	.....			
6	...	22	30	...	...	.....			
15	...	94	111	1	27	82,417	0	0	
14	...	50	78F	...	...	.....			
12	...	112	132	1	131	113,235	0	0	
13	...	51	67	...	...	.....			
12	...	54	117G	...	...	.....			
48	...	785	852[illegible]	...	...	.....			
645	103	5,373	6,363	58	440	10,337,364	33	0	

SALT—*continued.*				SEA
Quantity sold.	Quantity imported by Sea and Land.	Number of Ports.	Number of Light-houses.	Value of Imports.
Mds. s. t.	Mds. s. t.			Rs. a. p.
.....	.....	...	...	.....
1,799,338 20 0	.....	...	...	.....
.....	.....	1	1	9,21,645 0 0
.....	12 0 0	1	2	2,21,268 0 0
.....	.....	1	...	.....
.....	.....	2	1	2,62,898 0 0
.....	.....	2	1	23,21,951 0 0
.....	.....	4	2	13,04,022 0 0
306,194 0 0	.....	...	...	.....
.....	.....	4	1	3,22,819 0 0
.....	.....	1	...	.....
6,087 0 0	.....	3	...	1,11,196 0 0
.....	.....	7	...	4,83,303 0 0
1,315,832 0 0	.....	3	...	5,23,437 0 0
974,882 10 0	.....	5	...	2,77,754 0 0
715,640 0 0	.....	6	...	50,35,443 0 0
909,694 0 0	.....	1	...	.....
428,815 26 0	.....	4	...	7,46,114 0 0
1,626,109 32 0	.....	2	...	10,21,404 0 0
541,845 10 0	.....	2	...	2,45,909 0 0
236,600 12 0	.....	2	...	6,64,362 0 0
.....	.....	4	...	4,96,123 0 0
.....	.....	3	...	11,82,516 0 0
.....	.....	2	3	16,87,926 0 0
.....	.....	4	3	15,05,177 0 0
.....	.....	2	1	14,72,246 0 0
.....	.....	3	2	10,30,970 0 0
.....	.....	2	2	20,72,568 0 0
74,740 0 0	.....	1	...	44,492 0 0
.....	2,497 16 60	4	2	3,72,027 0 0
97,425 0 0	0 3 0	3	1	2,62,173 0 0
.....	2 30 0	6	3	14,79,975 0 0
.....	8,195 7 40	...	...	.....
	276,365 20 60	...	...	.....
.....	15,385 2 40	1	...	76,632 0 0
	607 8 40	...	...	.....
	2,001 34 0	...	...	.....
9,093,204 30 0	305,067 3 0	88	25	2,61,48,915 0 0

CUSTOMS—*continued.*	NUMBER OF CASES ADJUDICATED.			DISTILLERIES.	
Trade.					
Exports.	Under Salt Acts.	Under the Sea and Land Customs Acts.	Under Opium Acts.	Number of stills.	Gallons excised.
Rs. a. p.					Gal. q. p.
.....	318	...	40	...	.....
.....	...	...	...	...	.....
9,87,754 0 0	...	10	...	...	.....
69,978 0 0	...	6	...	...	.....
.....	70	...	...	...	.....
4,41,894 0 0	14	2	...	...	.....
20,40,655 0 0	1	15	...	...	.....
10,70,816 0 0	2	4	...	...	.....
.....	3	...	...	...	.....
7,27,358 0 0	10	15	...	...	.....
.....	87	2	...	...	.....
2,00,630 0 0	24	3	...	...	.....
8,06,849 0 0	2	20	...	...	.....
16,40,104 0 0	25	35	...	...	.....
5,59,883 0 0	3	17	...	...	.....
47,55,424 0 0	74	41	...	...	.....
5,16,515 0 0	4	...	...	...	.....
18,12,902 0 0	18	53	...	...	.....
92,30,123 0 0	6	37	...	47	1,336,689 5 0
22,94,864 0 0	3	157	...	...	.....
7,20,310 0 0	46	6	...	...	.....
6,52,825 0 0	7	8	...	...	.....
5,48,163 0 0	2	3	...	...	.....
14,71,104 0 0	3	8	...	...	.....
4,69,685 0 0	2	14	...	...	.....
12,69,507 0 0	8	3	...	...	.....
6,25,587 0 0	31	2	...	...	.....
16,00,379 0 0	2	1	...	...	.....
1,15,164 0 0	6	...	...	...	.....
3,23,982 0 0	11	5	...	...	.....
3,63,211 0 0	12	5	...	...	.....
22,79,079 0 0	31	2	...	...	.....
.....	...	...	...	...	.....
.....	6	19	...	...	.....
46,055 0 0	120	83	...	...	.....
.....	2	4	...	...	.....
.....	18	52	...	...	.....
3,76,29,875 0 0	971	682	40		1,336,689 5 0

Imperial and Provincial.

Salt.	Customs.	Abkari	Total Imperial and Provincial.
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
5,078 4 3	.....	.....	5,078 4 3
13,04,403 4 5	.....	.....	13,04,403 4 5
25 1 6	7 0 4 [illegible] 14	.....	7,030 15 5
965 0 0	1 [illegible] 10 1	.....	965 10 1
16 10 6	.....	.....	16 10 6
1[illegible]0 [illegible] 0	[illegible],78 12 3	.....	5[illegible] 1 6
[illegible]8 [illegible] [illegible]	[illegible],04 4 10	.....	[illegible]8,77 12 10
40 2 4	15,987 3 10	.....	16,028 6 2
7,83,781 1 2	.....	.....	7,83,781 1 2
2,0 3 6	10,124 15 9	.....	12,925 3 3
8[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]	6,903 16 6	.....	7,745 [illegible] [illegible]
15,613 5 [illegible]	855 14 11	.....	16,[illegible]69 4 [illegible]
82 3 11	645 10 7	.....	727 14 6
31,87,303 0 9	331 8 0	.....	31,87,634 8 9
24,[illegible],100 11 [illegible]	251 6 6	.....	24,[illegible],351 [illegible] [illegible]
17,30,477 10 6	12,985 8 3	.....	17,[illegible],463 2 9
22,11,287 10 8	.....	.....	22,11,287 10 8
10,19,536 6 6	691 11 5	.....	10,20,228 1 11
39,58,204 2 1	281 8 0	13,50,107 3 2	53,[illegible],593 3 3
3,98,163 6 1	885 1 11	.....	3,99,048 8 0
7,20,018 8 5	138 0 9	.....	7,20,156 9 2
73 2 0	541 5 8	.....	614 1 8
51 6 5	1,031 14 11	.....	1,083 5 4
55 2 4	3 089 3 3	.....	3,144 5 7
535 5 5	1,615 11 11	.....	2,151 1 4
942 7 10	3,574 2 2	.....	[illegible],516 10 0
1,634 12 0	5,238 0 1	.....	[illegible],872 12 1
2,142 14 6	5,682 7 5	.....	[illegible],825 5 11
1,92,053 1 7	514 15 7	.....	1,[illegible],568 1 2
7,674 12 9	3,029 13 3	.....	10,704 10 0
2,41,[illegible]8 10 10	4,781 7 6	.....	2,[illegible],330 2 4
1,108 1 4	3,078 15 11	.....	4,187 1 3
30,527 9 9	.....	.....	30,527 9 9
6,04,853 1 0	30,351 5 3	.....	7,[illegible],204 6 3
39,762 13 2	12,084 6 11	.....	52,[illegible]7 4 1
1,733 4 9	7,840 14 0	.....	9,[illegible]74 2 9
5,340 15 1	700 11 4	.....	6,[illegible]50 10 5
2,22,82,821 5 3	1,80,408 9 8	13,50,107 9 2	2,41,13,227 8 1

Port Fund.	Tankaria Dharam Talav and Cantlay Ferry Funds.	Grand Total.	Imperial and Provincial Pay.
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
.....	...	5,078 4 3	1,84,967 14 3
36 2 0	...	49,04,439 6 5	58,155 3 3
1,712 14 8	...	8,743 14 1	3,128 15 1
717 12 0	...	1,810 6 1	1,942 14 5
.....	...	16 10 6	3,570 0 0
634 2 0	128 15 0	1,299 2 0	3,974 0 7
7,644 4 7	...	36,122 2 5	4,116 9 7
5,980 7 11	...	21,408 14 3	29,179 6 2
.....	...	7,86,461 1 5	17,096 7 11
3,616 8 9	...	15,941 12 0	5,791 10 9
.....	...	7,745 3 9	36,758 14 0
1,132 6 7	...	17,501 10 10	8,182 12 9
4,634 0 2	...	5,361 14 8	7,822 7 9
3,937 5 0	...	31,91,571 13 9	43,441 4 8
2,059 0 10	...	24,51,413 5 6	56,490 8 7
6,271 14 7	...	17,55,435 1 4	1,02,499 0 11
.....	...	22,11,297 10 8	34,735 4 9
1,285 1 3	...	10,21,573 3 2	26,727 6 7
6,302 10 0	...	56,14,972 13 3	84,787 5 4
2,553 2 3	...	3,71,601 10 3	31,026 13 2
1,034 0 6	...	7,21,270 9 8	23,186 6 0
2,259 9 3	...	2,873 10 11	6,159 3 6
783 5 2	...	1,866 10 6	5,612 5 6
1,766 6 5	...	4,907 12 0	5,312 9 6
1,470 4 8	...	3,621 6 0	19,813 4 9
2,066 1 4	...	6,582 11 4	6,762 9 2
1,777 8 3	...	8,650 4 4	6,119 8 0
1,922 11 2	...	9,948 1 1	5,591 12 7
168 13 3	...	1,92,736 14 5	13,771 14 3
2,736 9 2	...	13,641 3 2	18,541 11 6
738 2 3	...	2,46,068 4 7	11,499 14 3
1,631 7 10	...	6,718 9 1	10,562 15 7
16,200 4 11	...	46,817 14 8	86,780 4 10
.....	...	7,31,204 6 3	39,118 4 1
.....	...	52,747 4 1	56,286 13 0
.....	...	9,374 2 9	12,419 12 9
.....	...	6,250 10 5	26,935 14 4
84,220 0 9	128 15 0	2,44,97,576 7 10	11,07,980 6 6

Imperial and Provincial—*continued.*									Tunkaria Dharam Talav Fund.		
Contingent Charges.			Total.			Port Fund					
Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
40,505	1	1	2,25,472	15	4	.....			...		
3,43,024	2	10	4,01,179	6	1	2,047	0	0	...		
601	12	0	4,030	11	1	1,263	11	7	...		
1,177	15	3	3,120	13	8	2,169	12	9	...		
1,997	15	11	5,567	15	11	.....			...		
1,274	13	3	5,248	13	10	766	2	3	60	0	0
1,682	1	3	5,798	10	10	1,038	10	5	...		
32,246	2	3	61,425	8	5	10,597	0	7	...		
1,789	4	11	18,885	12	10	.....			...		
2,708	7	10	8,500	2	7	1,227	5	8	...		
9,784	10	10	46,543	8	10	.....			...		
3,572	8	7	11,755	4	9	133	8	2	...		
2,278	15	6	9,901	7	3	476	13	0	...		
10 057	12	3	53,499	0	11	464	2	2	...		
21,905	9	7	81,396	2	2	322	2	8	...		
51,583	11	2	1,54,082	12	1	3,108	2	0	...		
8,171	14	8	42,910	3	5	.....			...		
8,220	9	2	34,947	15	9	456	11	11	...		
22,063	0	5	1,06,850	5	9	277	10	10	...		
6,812	3	6	37,839	0	8	236	14	8	...		
7,413	14	8	36,630	4	8	999	13	6	...		
2,230	11	1	8,389	14	7	1,080	13	5	...		
1,043	4	2	7,255	9	8	4,354	13	4	...		
1,409	9	11	6,722	3	5	1,187	13	9	...		
7,891	9	0	27,701	13	9	7,573	2	6	...		
2,180	13	8	8943	6	10	1,383	8	8	...		
4,922	11	10	11,072	3	10	1,584	10	1	...		
2,035	8	1	7,627	4	8	4,446	13	0	...		
3,609	2	3	17,381	0	6						
						1	12	4	...		
6,767	15	4	25,309	13	10	10,062	6	11	...		
2,832	14	3	17 332	12	6	1,020	1	4	...		
2430	1	4	12,983	0	11	2,605	5	5	...		
16,262	15	2	1,03,013	4	0						
						32,278	15	2	...		
21,931	0	10	61,013	4	11	.....			...		
17,330	4	4	73,617	1	4	.....			...		
2,264	11	11	14,684	8	8	.....			...		
9,870	7	4	36,808	5	8	.....			...		
6,87,319	7	5	17,95,309	13	11	93,174	14	1	60	0	0

of the Salt Department in all its Branches for the year 1897-98.

Total.	Refunds.	Total Charges.	Remarks.
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
2,25,472 15 4	.....	2,25,472 15 4	A.—The office establishment of the Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Northern Frontier, is included in the total exhibited against Northern Frontier "Preventive Line."
4,03,226 6 1	.....	4,03,226 6 1	
5,294 6 8	.....	5,294 6 8	B.—The total establishment exhibited against "Kharaghoda and Ahmedabad Depôt" includes the office establishment of the Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Kharághoda Range and the establishment at the Kharághoda Dispensary.
5,290 10 5	.....	5,290 10 5	
5,567 15 11	.....	5,567 15 11	
6,075 0 1	.....	6,075 0 1	
6,837 5 3	.....	6,837 5 3	
72,022 9 0	.....	72,022 9 0	C.—The total charges shown against "Surat Táluka" includes charges of the Coast Guard Service, Northern Division, and of the office establishment of the Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Surat Range.
18,885 12 10	.....	18,885 12 10	
9,727 8 3	.....	9,727 8 3	
46,513 8 10	.....	46,513 8 10	
11,888 12 11	.....	11,888 12 11	D.—Charges of the Deputy Collector of Salt Revenue, Southern Division, and of the Coast Guard Service, Southern Division, and of the Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Thána Range and of the Jath State establishment are shown against Trombay Táluka.
10,378 4 3	.....	10,378 4 3	
53,963 3 1	198 14 10	54,162 1 11	
81,718 4 10	1 13 6	81,720 2 4	
1,57,100 14 1	47 7 0	1,57,238 5 1	
42,010 3 5	.....	42,010 3 5	
35,404 11 8	92 1 7	35,496 13 3	E.—Charges of the Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Uran Range, together with those of the Uran Distilleries are shown against "Uran Táluka."
1,07,128 0 7	12,822 13 6	1,19,950 14 1	
37,875 15 4	22 1 0	37,898 0 4	
37,630 2 2	38 10 0	37,668 12 2	
9,479 12 0	.....	9,479 12 0	
11,610 7 0	.....	11,610 7 0	F.—Charges of the Boat establishment of the Assistant Collector, Alibág Range, together with those of the Mandad Bandar and those of the Assistant Collector, Ratnágiri and Kánara Ranges are included in the totals shown respectively against Alibág, Ratnágiri and Kárwár tálukas.
7,910 1 2	.....	7,910 1 2	
35,278 0 3	.....	35,278 0 3	
10,326 15 6	.....	10,326 15 6	
12,656 13 11	.....	12,656 13 11	
12,074 1 8	17 4 0	12,091 5 8	
17,382 12 10	100 0 0	17,482 12 10	
35,372 4 9	.....	35,372 4 9	G.—Total charges shown against Bombay comprise the charges of the Collector of Salt Revenue, the Chief Account Officer and his establishment and of the Native Assistant to the Collector of Salt Revenue, together with those of the Steam Launch.
18,352 13 10	.....	18,352 13 10	
15,588 6 4	.....	15,588 6 4	
1,35,322 3 2	74,974 6 6	2,10,296 9 8	
61,089 4 11	39 13 3	61,089 2 2	H.—The total against Goa Frontier comprises establishment of the Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Goa Frontier, Coast Guard Service and Duty-collecting Stations at Castle Rock, Banda, Kelghat and Dgi.
73,617 1 4	.....	73,617 1 4	
14,684 8 8	.....	14,684 8 8	
36,806 5 8	.....	36,806 5 8	
18,88,544 12 0	88,355 5 2	19,76,900 1 2	

H. O. QUIN,

Acting Collector of Salt Revenue.

Statement No. III, showing Details of Receipts and Expenditure of the Salt Department in all its Branches for the year 1897-98, contrasted with those of the year 1896-97.

RECEIPTS.

Items.	1897-98.	1896-97.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p
SALT REVENUE.				
IMPERIAL.				
Customs Duty on Salt—				
Import Duty by Sea	20,495 0 8	12,339 8 10	8,155 7 8	.....
Do. by Land	7,45,783 7 0	6,81,746 11 3	61,036 11 9	.....
Proceeds of Sale of Government Salt—				
Baragara Salt	3,06,255 10 3	3,06,228 7 2	27 3 1	.....
Proprietary right of Government in Salt Works—				
Ground-rent at Maundage rate ...	61,149 6 9	.....	61,149 6 9	.....
Ground-rent (Kharaghoda and Bulsar Salt).	60,905 4 10	61,909 11 1	.....	1,004 6 3
Do. (Konkan Salt works credited to Land Revenue) ..	13,464 14 11	37,907 2 7	.....	24,442 3 8
Farms of Government Salt works—	69,842 6 8	73,017 0 0	.....	3,174 9 4
Other Salt (cost price on salt supplied to fish-curers)	7,212 6 3	18,447 6 7	.....	11,235 0 4
Excise Duty on Government Salt ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Do. on permits issued ...	2,09,29,011-12 6	2,03,90,709 0 0	5,20,311 12 6	.....
Do. at nominal rates ...	9,459 1 0	6,603 7 0	2,855 10 0	.....
Single and double duty (on excesses discovered on examination and by weighment at place of Import) ...	6,165 7 8	6,286 2 1	.....	120 10 5
Total, Imperial ...	2,22,29,744 13 10	2,16,07,185 8 7	6,62,536 3 3	39,976 14 0
PROVINCIAL.				
Fines and Forfeitures—	5,412 13 1	2,239 0 7	3,173 12 6	.....
Miscellaneous—				
Contribution from Port Funds towards cost of Coast-guard Establishment...	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	.....	.....
Cost of Establishment recovered from Salt-farmers	15,162 13 2	32,707 7 10	.....	17,544 10 8
Recovery of Salt Agent's bagging and sewing charges	7,649 5 9	8,587 10 0	.....	938 4 3
Recovery of clothing charges ...	12,586 8 7	12,354 13 4	231 11 3	.....
Other Items	1,850 7 4	2,790 8 1	.....	940 0 9
Sale-proceeds of forms, &c. (credited to XXIII. Stationery and Printing)	214 7 6	211 0 1	3 7 5	.....
Total Provincial ...	52,876 7 5	68,890 7 11	3,408 15 2	19,422 15 8
Grand Total Salt Revenue ...	2,22,82,621 5 3	2,16,76,076 0 8	6,65,945 2 5	59,399 13 8
CUSTOMS REVENUE.				
IMPERIAL.				
Sea Customs. Sea Customs, Imports ...	73,723 11 3	70,715 14 1	3,007 13 2	.....
Do. Exports ...	19,156 6 11	11,235 8 8	7,920 14 3	.....
Recovery on account of Customs Establishment at private wharves	177 5 8	283 9 3	.....	105 3 7
Carried over ..	93,057 7 10	82,235 0 0	10,928 11 5	105 3 7

RECEIPTS—*continued.*

	Items.	1897-98.	1896-97.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward ...	93,057 7 10	82,235 0 0	10,928 11 5	106 3 7
	CUSTOMS REVENUE—*continued.*				
	IMPERIAL.				
Land Customs.	Land Customs, Import duty ...	23,885 9 11	44,828 12 4	.....	14,943 2 5
	Do. Export duty ...	39,059 9 7	21,253 9 6	17,806 0 1	.....
	Government Share of Land Customs and Transit duties levied in the foreign territories of Bansda and Dharampur ...	9,153 8 0	9,153 8 0	.....	.....
	Fees, Fines and Forfeitures ...	299 12 11	692 11 0	.....	392 14 7
	Miscellaneous Fees for copies of documents	80 0 0	99 0 0	.....	19 0 0
	Other items	102 0 0	3 4 2	98 11 9	.....
	Total Imperial ...	1,71,638 0 3	1,58,265 13 7	28,833 7 3	15,461 4 7
	PROVINCIAL.				
Sea Customs.	Warehouse and Wharf-rents ...	961 1 0	1,209 15 9	.....	248 14 8
	Miscellaneous—				
	Fees for registration of cargo boats	4,386 6 0	5,185 6 0	.....	799 0 0
	Fees for amendment and duplicate copies of document ...	1,291 3 0	1,100 10 0	190 9 0	.....
	Fees, Fines and Forfeitures ...	2,163 10 8	2,569 5 2	.....	405 10 6
	Sale of old stores	9 0 9	91 11 8	.....	82 10 11
	Other Items	49 3 6	225 1 3	.....	175 13 9
	Total, Provincial ...	8,860 9 5	10,382 1 10	190 9 0	1,712 1 5
	Grand Total, Customs Revenue ...	1,80,498 9 8	1,68,647 15 5	29,024 0 3	17,173 6 0
	ABKA'RI REVENUE.				
	IMPERIAL AND PROVINCIAL.				
	Still-head Duty on spirits manufactured at Uran	19,07,477 13 9	16,62,868 10 7	2,44,609 3 2	.....
	Establishment Contribution—				
	Payment by proprietors of Uran Distilleries on account of supervising Establishment	42,101 3 9	41,231 2 3	1,170 1 6	.....
	Miscellaneous other items ..	228 7 8	217 6 1	11 1 7	.....
	Total, Abkári Revenue ...	19,50,107 9 2	17,04,317 2 11	2,45,790 6 3	.....
	Imperial Share, three-fourths ...	14,62,580 10 11	12,78,237 14 2	.....	.....
	Provincial Share, one-fourth ...	4,87,526 14 3	4,26,079 4 9	.....	.....
	Total, Imperial and Provincial Revenue ...	2,44,13,227 8 1	2,35,49,041 2 10	9,40,759 8 11	76,573 3 8
	LOCAL FUND REVENUE.				
	PORT FUND.				
	Northern Group	31,367 1 7	31,291 0 3	76 1 4	.....
	Southern Group	52,852 15 2	49,950 6 6	2,902 8 8	.....
	Total, Port Fund ...	84,220 0 9	81,241 6 9	2,978 10 0	.....
	Tankaria Dharam Talao Fund ...	69 0 0	62 4 0	6 12 0	.....
	Cambay and Jambusar Ferry Fund...	59 15 0	55 3 0	4 12 0	.....
	Total, Local Fund Revenue ...	84,348 15 9	81,358 13 9	2,990 2 0	.....
	GRAND TOTAL OF RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES ...	2,44,97,576 7 10	2,36,30,400 0 7	9,43,749 10 11	76,573 3 8

EXPENDITURE.

Items.	1897-98.	1896-97.	Increase.	Decrease.
SALT, IMPERIAL.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Superior Supervising Establishment.				
Pay, including Exchange Compensation	1,30,013 14 2	1,22,370 8 5	7,643 5 9	.....
Travelling allowance...	15,931 14 7	13,926 1 4	1,105 13 3	.....
Tentage	2,464 1 6	2,100 3 9	363 15 9	.....
Subordinate Establishment.				
Pay, including Exchange Compensation allowance	9,55,104 1 2	9,48,278 1 3	6,825 15 11	.....
Travelling allowance	30,007 9 1	31,709 3 6	.....	1,701 10 5
Horse allowance	7,937 7 5	8,013 12 4	.....	76 4 11
Grain Compensation	66,003 7 7	26,212 8 1	40,790 15 6	.....
Contingencies.				
Charges on account of undervalued goods under Section 32 of Sea Customs Act	.....	1,556 14 0	.....	1,556 14 0
Service Stamps and bearing Postage.	8,054 13 0	8,200 9 0	.....	145 12 0
Telegram Charges	346 6 0	242 6 0	104 0 0	.....
Law Charges	796 8 0	247 10 10	548 13 2	.....
Purchase of Books	106 2 0	59 0 0	47 2 0	.....
Do. of Land and Compensation for land	330 10 11	362 7 11	.....	31 13 0
Purchase of New Boats	15,591 8 9	16,513 5 0	.....	921 12 3
Rents	7,304 0 7	7,345 7 7	.....	41 7 0
Rates and Taxes	688 8 2	667 10 10	20 13 4	.....
Purchase of Tents	180 9 0	.....	180 9 0	.....
Prizes for best Salt manufactured at Kharaghoda	600 0 0	600 0 0	.....	.....
Survey Charges	6 2 0	.....	6 2 0	.....
Boat Stores and Repairs	35,427 4 4	22,949 6 7	12,477 13 9	.....
Rewards in Salt and Customs cases...	8,095 4 4	6,310 8 3	1,784 12 1	.....
Petty construction	45,074 6 8	32,807 5 10	12,267 0 10	.....
Peons' clothing (Talaka Offices) .	35,519 1 6	20,681 7 2	14,837 10 4	.....
Arms and accoutrements	936 13 1	350 12 10	586 0 3	.....
Boat allowance	14,485 13 10	14,511 7 6	.....	25 9 8
Salt Purchase and Freight on account of Baragara Salt	3,10,851 2 11	3,68,450 3 1	.....	57,599 0 2
Salt Purchase for removal of Salt to fish-curing yards	4,790 3 2	9,373 5 8	.....	4,583 2 6
Kharaghoda Dispensary charges ...	295 14 8	372 1 7	.....	76 2 11
Commission on Sale of Baragara Salt.	12,303 8 2	14,086 2 3	.....	1,782 10 1
Salt Agents' Bagging and Sewing Charges	6,920 5 0	10,053 3 6	.....	3,132 14 6
Scales and Weights	2,313 3 0	1,156 0 0	1,157 3 0	.....
Mapping Charges	.....	10 12 0	.....	10 12 0
Supply of Medicines...	67 10 3	176 2 1	.....	108 7 10
Carriage of Tents and Records ...	(c)2,442 13 3	2,662 12 8	.....	219 15 5
Supply of water	(c)1,196 12 0	1,035 15 7	160 12 5	.....
Peons' Uniforms and Belts (Huzur Offices)	(c)494 3 3	93 12 0	400 7 3	.....
Petty Repairs...	(c)8,979 7 11	7,541 12 10	1,437 11 1	.....
Petty Supply...	(c)3,743 0 11	3,642 5 7	100 11 4	.....
Purchase of carpets	(c)826 1 9	838 7 2	.....	12 5 5
Purchase of furniture	(c)1,086 6 4	1,122 14 4	.....	36 8 0
Repairs of furniture	(c)521 5 0	440 3 1	81 1 11	.....
Parcel Charges	(c)195 2 6	133 5 6	61 13 0	.....
Remittance of Treasure	(c)102 0 9	375 5 6	26 11 3	.....
Carried over ...	17,37,535 12 6	17,06,581 10 5	1,03,017 4 2	72,063 2 1

EXPENDITURE—*continued.*

Items.	1897-98.	1896-97.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought over ..	17,37,535 12 6	17,06,581 10 5	1,03,017 4 2	72,063 2 1
SALT—IMPERIAL—*continued.*				
Contingencies—continued.				
Conveyance of Confiscated Salt, &c. ..	(c) 98 7 6	79 15 3	18 8 3	.....
Monsoon Weather Fences ..	(c) 5,278 10 5	5,006 5 4	272 5 1	.....
Thatching of Salt heaps ...	(c) 8 14 8	.....	8 14 8	.....
Destruction of Salt	(c) 8 15 0	8 0 0	0 15 0	.....
Repairs to Tents	(c)	35 11 9	.....	35 11 9
Gam Kharach allowance ...	(c) 760 0 0	760 0 0	.....	.....
Miscellaneous	(c) 296 6 5	223 11 11	72 10 6	.....
Total, Salt ...	17,43,987 2 6	17,12,695 6 8	1,03,390 9 8	72,098 13 10
Rs. a. p.				
Deduct—Amount not subject to Division 3,58,871 15 7				
Net amount ...13,85,145 2 11				
Deduct—One-tenth debitable to Customs 1,38,511 8 3				
Net nine-tenths debitable to Salt ...12,46,630 10 8				
Stationery and Printing ...	8,758 3 11	8,721 8 2	36 11 9	.....
REFUNDS AND DRAWBACKS, IMPERIAL.				
Excise duty on Salt, &c., refunded ...	75,613 4 5	83,888 8 5	.....	8,275 4 0
Customs duty, &c., refunded ...	111 9 3	299 0 2	.....	187 6 11
Total, Refunds and Drawbacks ...	75,724 13 8	84,187 8 7	.....	8,462 10 11
EXCISE ABKARI, IMPERIAL AND PROVINCIAL.				
SUBORDINATE ESTABLISHMENT.				
Pay, including Exchange Compensation	22,872 7 2	23,660 11 4	.....	788 4 2
Grain Compensation	1,168 10 2	430 8 0	738 2 2	.....
Travelling Allowance	39 9 0	53 12 6	.....	14 3 6
Petty Supply Allowance ...	116 0 0	120 0 0	.....	4 0 0
Clothing to Peons	956 8 0	439 13 9	516 10 3	.....
Hutting money	428 7 6	431 5 9	.....	2 14 3
Purchase of Boats	4 0 0	.....	4 0 0	.....
Service Stamps and bearing Postage.	79 0 0	84 0 0	.....	5 0 0
Petty Construction	.....	249 7 6	.....	249 7 6
Petty Repairs	5 0 0	8 15 0	.....	3 15 0
Municipal Taxes	26 0 0	.....	26 0 0	.....
Rents	78 0 0	176 2 1	.....	98 2 1
Dead Stock Articles	50 5 0	28 6 0	21 15 0	.....
Arms and Accoutrements ...	40 12 0	.....	40 12 0	.....
Rewards	100 0 0	.....	100 0 0	.....
Carried over ...	25,964 10 10	25,683 1 11	1,447 7 5	1,165 14 6

EXPENDITURE—*continued.*

Items.	1897-98.	1896-97.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Brought forward ...	25,964 10 10	25,683 1 11	1,447 7 5	1,165 14 6
EXCISE ABKA'RI, IMPERIAL AND PROVINCIAL—*continued.*				
REFUNDS AND DRAWBACKS.				
Excise Establishment Contribution (Abkári)	12,630 7 6	18,338 5 7	.....	5,707 14 1
Total Excise ...	38,595 2 4	44,021 7 6	1,447 7 5	6,873 12 7
Imperial Share, three-fourths ...	28,946 5 9	33,016 1 8	.....	.....
Provincial Share, one-fourth ...	9,648 12 7	11,005 5 10	.....	.....
ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPENSATION, IMPERIAL.				
Salt Compensations to proprietors of Salt Pans in Portuguese India ...	2,593 1 7	279 13 5	2,313 4 2	.....
PROVINCIAL.				
Miscellaneous Compensations, Service Haks	14,006 11 1	13,974 14 6	31 12 7	.....
Total Assignments and Compensation ...	16,599 12 8	14,254 11 11	2,345 0 9	.....
EXCLUDED LOCAL FUNDS.				
PORT FUNDS.				
Northern Group.				
Contribution towards the cost of Coast Guard Establishments ...	5,000 0 0	5,000 0 0	.....	.....
Other Charges	20,107 9 6	41,550 15 8	.....	21,443 6 2
Southern Group.				
Contribution towards cost of Coast Guard Establishment ...	5,000 0 0	5,000 0 0	.....	.....
Other Charges	63,067 4 7	58,544 13 3	4,522 7 4	.....
Total Port Fund ...	93,174 14 1	1,10,095 12 11	4,522 7 4	21,443 6 2
Tánkaria Dharam Talao Fund ...	60 0 0	60 0 0	.....	.....
Total Excluded Local Funds ...	93,234 14 1	1,10,155 12 11	4,522 7 4	21,443 6 2
TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON ALL ACCOUNTS ...	19,76,900 1 2	19,74,036 7 9	1,11,742 4 11	1,08,878 11 6

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STATEMENT IV

Statement No. IV, showing the Receipts and Expenditure in each

Heads of Receipt and Expenditure	Presidency Division.	Northern Division.			Southern
	Bombay Head Quarter Office.	Northern Frontier Range.	Kárchgheda Range.	Surat Range.	The Deputy Collector Coast Guard, Southern Division.
RECEIPTS.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Salt.					
Import Duty by Sea	20,487 15 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Do. by Land	.....	.....	.....	30 0 0	.....
Baragura Salt—Cost price at Re. 0-1-3 per Indian maund ...	.....	.....	1,41,943 0 9	.....	.....
Baragara Salt—Transport Charges	.....	.....	1,64,312 9 6	.....	.....
Proprietary share ground-rent at 9 pies per Indian maund ...	.....	.....	27,054 8 3	14,470 11 1	.....
Proprietary share ground-rent at 3 pies per Indian maund ...	.....	.....	19,380 1 6	.....	.....
Proprietary share ground-rent on Salt pans (credited to Land Revenue)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Proprietary Farms of Government Salt Works	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ground Rent at Mamdage ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Other Salt—Cost price on Salt supplied to fish-curers	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Excise Duty on Salt—					
Within the Bombay Presidency.	.....	.....	14,42,235 0 0	7,71,615 0 0	.....
For Calcutta	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
,, Central Provinces	.....	.....	31,00,512 8 0	.....	.....
,, British Malabar	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
,, Other Places	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
,, Foreign Malabar at nominal rates	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Excise Duty on excesses	.....	.....	.....	155 3 10	.....
Fines and Forfeitures	0 7 9	795 15 11	568 14 0	323 14 11	.....
Contribution from Port Funds towards cost of Coast Guard Establishment.	10,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cost of Establishment recovered from Salt Farmers	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Recovery of cost of Sanderai Bunder Establishment	.....	.....	.....	420 0 0	.....
Recovery of Salt Agent's bagging and sewing charges	.....	.....	7,649 5 9	.....	.....
Recovery of clothing charges ...	.....	4,192 1 10	603 12 7	326 4 5	.....
Ground and house-rent	.....	.....	417 2 0	12 0 0	.....
Proceeds of trees, grass, &c. ...	.....	11 8 0	273 6 7	.....	.....
Fees for copies of documents ...	1 2 0	4 13 3	0 12 0	0 11 0	.....
Witness Batta received from Courts	.....	13 9 0	.....	8 4 0	.....
Proceeds of useless articles ...	4 0 0	49 8 8	7 12 3	6 8 2	.....
Proceeds of waste paper	.....	0 5 3	5 1 0	.....	.....
Recovery of cost of removing fishing stakes...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneus	14 0 0	8 5 0	9 0 3	15 7 9	.....
Total Salt ..	30,507 9 3	5,076 3 11	49,04,402 14 5	7,87,384 1 2	.....
Stationery and Printing	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sale-proceeds of Forms, &c. ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Credited to XXIII Stationery and Printing	20 0 6	2 0 4	0 6 0	.....	.....
Sea Customs.					
Import Duty	.....	.....	.....	49,089 10 8	.....
Export Duty	.....	.....	.....	2,496 9 5	.....
Recovery on account of Customs establishment at private wharves.	.....	.....	.....	177 5 8	.....
Warehouse and wharf-rents ..	.....	.....	.....	880 8 9	.....
Miscellaneous.					
Registry fees	.....	.....	.....	806 0 0	.....
Fees for copies of documents ..	.....	.....	.....	333 1 6	.....
Fees, fines and forfeitures... ...	.....	.....	.....	443 13 6	.....
Sale of old stores	.....	.....	.....	3 1 3	.....
Proceeds of waste paper	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Proceeds of trees, grass, &c. ...	.....	.....	.....	7 2 0	.....
Rent for traveller's bungalow ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Witness Batta	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bribs	.....	.....	.....	5 0 0	.....
Total, Sea Customs ...	.....	.....	.....	54,331 4 8	.....

separate Charge of the Salt Department for the year 1897-98.

Division.			North Kánara.	Portuguese Frontier.		Total.
Thána Range.	Uran Range.	Ratnágiri Range.	Kánara Range.	Damaun Frontier.	Goa Frontier.	
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
.....	.....	.....	7 1 0	.....	.....	20,495 0 6
.....	.....	.....	6,243 8 9	.....	7,39,509 14 6	7,45,783 7 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,41,943 0 9
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,61,312 9 6
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41,525 3 4
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,380 1 6
8,252 15 1	4,855 3 6	356 12 4	.....	.....	.....	13,464 14 11
63,461 16 8	3,590 12 0	2,800 0 0	.....	.....	.....	69,812 6 8
29,257 13 0	31,151 1 10	740 7 11	.....	.....	.....	61,149 6 9
.....	6 1 6	4,623 4 0	2,583 0 9	.....	.....	7,212 6 3
71,49,056 4 0	32,23,509 4 0	1,32,692 8 0	2,36,137 8 0	.....	.....	1,29,55,445 8 0
6,79,495 0 0	8,00,162 8 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	14,79,857 8 0
2,15,770 0 0	6,7.0 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	33,26,512 5 0
14,29,530 10 0	16,77,113 2 0	54,152 8 0	3,070 0 0	.....	.....	31,64,766 4 0
2,160 0 0	.....	.....	230 0 0	.....	.....	2,390 0 0
.....	9,459 1 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 459 1 0
4,253 13 10	1,963 10 6	52 14 6	39 13 0	.....	.....	6,105 7 8
630 5 0	2,533 5 11	336 7 11	134 8 0	0 11 9	38 1 1	5,412 13 1
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,000 0 0
10,698 11 7	3,393 14 8	1,070 2 11	.....	.....	.....	15,162 13 2
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	420 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 649 6 9
2,019 8 5	1,520 14 7	537 13 11	356 2 0	78 8 10	2,211 6 0	12,586 8 7
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	429 2 0
3 13 0	0 5 0	2 11 7	.....	0 4 0	.....	294 0 2
5 13 6	15 5 6	3 3 0	5 5 0	.....	14 0 0	51 1 3
24 14 0	32 14 0	18 6 0	19 3 0	2 2 0	7 8 0	127 1 0
77 10 9	60 5 7	28 2 6	51 6 1	32 3 0	35 7 6	363 0 6
2 6 3	.....	.....	0 10 0	.....	.....	8 6 6
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
36 15 11	66 1 10	14 5 6	0 2 0	.....	3 4 8	167 11 11
78,98,750 5 0	57,66,073 15 5	1,97,479 12 1	2,50,078 3 7	823 13 7	7,41,819 10 4	2,22,82,406 15 9
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14 8 4	28 7 8	8 2 0	53 0 4	17 6 8	70 7 8	214 7 6
9,788 6 10	91 15 1	11,356 9 1	3,307 1 7	.....	.....	73,723 11 3
3,677 5 11	520 2 0	7,986 15 2	5,376 6 5	.....	.....	19,156 6 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	177 5 8
7 8 0	.....	8 13 6	64 3 3	.....	.....	961 1 6
983 0 0	340 0 0	1,786 6 0	382 0 0	.....	.....	4,386 6 0
148 3 6	125 5 0	655 15 0	98 10 0	.....	.....	1,291 3 0
166 0 0	808 0 0	623 5 3	32 8 0	.....	.....	2,163 10 8
1 8 0	1 0 0	1 9 6	1 14 0	.....	.....	9 0 9
.....	.....	1 0 0	.....	.....	.....	1 0 0
.....	.....	36 3 6	.....	.....	.....	42 5 6
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	0 14 0	.....	.....	0 14 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 0 0
14,772 0 3	1,976 6 1	21,484 13 0	9,353 9 3	.....	.....	1,91,918 1 2

Heads of Receipt and Expenditure.	Presidency Division.	Northern Division.			Southern
	Bombay Head Quarter Office.	Northern Frontier Range.	Khándeshda Range.	Surat Range.	The Deputy Collector, Coast Guard, Southern Division.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
RECEIPTS—*continued*.					
LAND CUSTOMS.					
Import Duty	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Export Duty	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Government share of land customs and transit duties	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dharampur State	.....	.....	.....	9,000 0 0	.....
Danda State	.....	.....	.....	153 8 0	.....
Fines and forfeitures ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fees for copies of documents ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fees for Traveller's Bungalow ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Excess in balance	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total, Land Customs ...	.....	.....	.....	9,153 8 0	.....
Total, Sea and Land Customs ...	.....	.....	.....	63,484 12 8	.....
EXCISE ABKÁRI.					
Uran Distilleries.					
Still-head duty	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Establishment contribution ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Recovery of stocking charges ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Proceeds of useless articles ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Witness butta	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Unexpended balance of petty supply allowance	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total, Excise Abkári ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
LOCAL FUND REVENUE.					
Northern Port Fund.					
Port dues	.....	.....	.....	18,874 3 5	.....
Proceeds of goods washed ashore ...	.....	.....	.....	1,098 4 11	.....
Do. of useless articles ...	.....	.....	.....	63 14 0	.....
Fines	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Advances	.....	.....	36 2 0	246 6 2	.....
Interest	3,215 7 2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous	.....	.....	.....	23 5 5	.....
Total ...	3,215 7 2	.....	36 2 0	20,305 1 11	.....
Southern Port Fund.					
Port dues	6,187 3 6	.....	.....	1 0 0	.....
Proceeds of goods washed ashore ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Advances recovered	1,900 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Proceeds of useless articles ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fines	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest, ...	4,987 10 3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contribution to Wharves and Wharfage fees	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	13,074 13 9	.....	.....	1 0 0	.....
Total, Port Fund Revenue ...	16,290 4 11	.....	36 2 0	20,306 1 11	.....
Ferry tolls	.....	.....	.....	59 15 0	.....
Tankaria Dharam Talao Fund ...	.....	.....	.....	69 0 0	.....
Total, Local Fund Revenue ...	16,290 4 11	.....	36 2 0	20,435 0 11	.....
Grand Total of Receipts from all sources	46,817 14 8	5,078 4 3	49,04,139 6 5	8,71,203 14 9	.....
EXPENDITURE.					
SALT.					
Salary of officers	40,797 5 6	6 401 10 0	9,902 5 11	5,206 15 1	27,390 2 0
Travelling allowance to officers ...	2,277 7 0	1,907 4 0	133 4 0	1,282 3 4	1,615 8 0
Tentage do. do. ...	504 3 1	133 5 0	.....	133 5 0	360 0 0
Salary of establishment	45,982 15 4	1,78,666 4 3	48,252 13 4	63,393 1 5	23,922 13 0
Travelling allowance to establishment	2,859 14 1	5 895 4 7	622 1 0	2,689 8 6	3,612 15 2
House allowance	.....	4,380 14 9	300 0 0	.....	.....
Grain Compensation	778 8 7	9,141 0 2	1,999 14 2	3,249 2 9	1,123 6 11

Division.			North Kánara.	Portuguese Frontier.		Total.
Thána Range.	Urán Range.	Ratnágiri Range.	Kánara Range.	Daman Frontier.	Goa Frontier.	
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
.....	.....	.....	755 11 11	172 8 6	28,957 5 6	29,885 9 11
.....	.....	.....	1,059 5 10	6,607 2 0	31,393 1 9	39,059 9 7
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,000 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	153 8 0
.....	.....	.....	29 9 8	29 13 0	255 6 3	299 13 11
.....	.....	.....	1 0 0	.....	79 0 0	80 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	100 8 0	.....	100 8 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 8 0	1 8 0
.....	.....	.....	1,836 11 5	6,903 15 6	60,686 5 6	78,580 8 5
14,772 0 3	1,976 6 1	21,484 13 0	11,190 4 8	6,903 15 6	60,686 5 6	1,80,498 9 8
.....	19,07,477 13 9	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,07,477 13 7
.....	42,401 3 9	.....	.....	.....	.....	42,401 3 9
.....	214 11 8	.....	.....	.....	.....	214 11 8
.....	10 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 0 0
.....	3 12 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 12 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	19,50,107 9 2	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 50,107 9 2
7,854 5 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25,958 8 5
725 5 6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,823 10 5
0 12 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64 10 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	281 8 2
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,215 7 2
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 5 5
7,810 6 6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31,367 1 7
10,999 2 0	11,116 1 9	10,588 3 3	4,875 9 0	.....	.....	42,977 3 6
342 2 1	109 7 9	657 14 0	87 12 11	.....	.....	1,097 4 9
60 0 4	.....	10 11 1	47 4 1	.....	.....	3,017 15 6
0 10 3	4 8 6	44 13 0	69 8 3	.....	.....	128 8 0
.....	.....	.....	5 0 0	.....	.....	5 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,957 10 3
3 6 0	1 12 0	8 2 2	21 1 0	.....	.....	34 5 2
.....	.....	605 0 0	.....	.....	.....	605 0 0
11,224 4 8	11,231 14 0	12,214 11 6	5,106 3 3	.....	.....	52,852 15 2
19,034 11 2	11,231 14 0	12,214 11 6	5,106 3 3	.....	.....	84,220 0 9
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 15 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69 0 0
19,034 11 2	11,231 14 0	12,214 11 6	5,106 3 3	.....	.....	84,348 15 9
16,32,581 3 9	77,29,418 4 4	2,31,187 6 7	2,66,428 0 10	7,745 3 9	8,02,576 7 6	2,44,97,576 7 10
10,864 10 11	4,938 15 7	8,151 12 6	7,200 0 0	.....	11,160 0 8	1,30,013 14 2
1,242 13 9	1,214 10 9	1,200 0 0	1,200 0 0	.....	2,958 11 3	15,031 14 7
310 11 5	122 9 0	300 0 0	300 0 0	.....	300 0 0	2,464 1 6
1,92,792 12 11	1,13,216 8 4	61,021 6 9	36,304 12 4	36,758 14 0	1,23,600 11 6	9,55,104 1 2
3,697 3 10	2,333 5 11	2,011 13 8	1,456 0 0	321 6 11	4,487 14 8	30,007 9 1
300 0 0	.....	.....	.....	511 0 4	2,445 8 4	7,937 7 5
10,022 0 7	12,150 3 11	4,095 15 1	2,031 11 5	3,495 9 4	10,402 14 8	66,003 7 7

Heads of Receipts and Expenditure.	PRESIDENCY DIVISION.	NORTHERN DIVISION.			SOUTHERN
	Bombay Head Quarter Office.	Northern Frontier Range.	Khándéshoda Range.	Surat Range.	The Deputy Collector, Coast Guard, Southern Division.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
EXPENDITURE—*continued.*					
SALT—*continued.*					
Contingencies.					
Service stamps and bearing postage.	1,275 9 0	571 4 0	270 0 0	887 0 0	569 2 0
Telegram charges	283 2 0	13 3 0	12 12 0	30 7 6	20 13 0
Law charges...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Purchase of books	45 14 0	46 14 0	4 0 0	2 0 0	7 6 0
Purchase of land and compensation for land	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Purchase of new boats	.....	.....	.....	15,105 8 9	486 0 0
Rents	.....	112 5 0	198 12 7	360 0 0	.....
Rates and Taxes	.....	.....	232 5 7	13 0 0	20 8 0
Prizes for best salt manufactured at Khárghoda	.....	.....	600 0 0	.....	.....
Boat stores and repairs	5,426 2 6	.....	.....	6,741 13 5	16,800 10 3
Rewards in Salt and Customs cases.	.....	965 13 9	.....	3,037 0 0	5 0 0
Petty construction...	.....	165 0 0	103 0 0	94 3 6	35 12 0
Peons' clothing (Táluka Offices) ...	.....	12,349 5 8	494 6 0	3,127 0 0	13,924 9 0
Arms and accoutrements	.....	464 15 4	.....	.....	.....
Boat allowance	.....	.....	.....	1,543 7 1	.....
Purchase of tents	.....	180 9 0	.....	.....	.....
Salt Purchase and Freight—on account of Baragra salt for removal of salt to fish-curing yards	.....	.....	3,10,851 2 11	.....	.....
Commission on sale of Baragra salt	.....	.....	12,303 8 2	.....	.....
Salt Agent's bagging and sewing charges	.....	.....	6,920 5 0	.....	.....
Scales and weights	.....	.....	.....	199 7 0	.....
Survey charges	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Supply of medicines	18 0 4	.....	32 7 3	.....	5 2 3
Carriage of tents and records ...	1,118 4 5	291 15 3	.....	104 0 6	253 12 0
Supply of water	.....	259 13 1	25 8 5	.....	.....
Peon's uniforms and belts (Huzur Offices)	353 6 0	23 0 0	19 0 6	10 0 0	40 1 6
Petty repairs	.....	1,133 7 1	191 0 11	806 1 6	.....
Petty supply	275 11 11	583 2 4	268 1 4	328 4 11	82 11 4
Purchase of carpets	9 8 0	97 13 0	4 12 0	.....	41 13 0
Do. of furniture	53 8 0	43 8 0	52 0 0	32 8 10	5 0 0
Repairs of furniture	.....	.....	.....	1 4 0	.....
Parcel charges	195 2 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Remittance of treasure	.....	29 8 3	28 13 3	8 4 6	.....
Conveyance of confiscated salt, &c.	.....	2 14 0	.....	2 8 6	.....
Monsoon weather fences	.....	420 0 0	56 14 3	.....	.....
Thatching of salt heaps	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Destruction of salt	.....	.....	.....	8 15 0	.....
Khárghoda Dispensary charges..	.....	.....	205 14 8	.....	.....
Gumkharah allowance	.....	.....	760 0 0	.....	.....
Batta to Prisoners...	.....	5 6 0	.....	1 4 3	.....
Boat hire	.....	.....	.....	18 0 0	.....
Feed to detained animals... ...	.....	27 6 0	.....	.....	.....
Advertisement charges	116 11 3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total, Salt ...	1,02,331 6 0	2,24,692 13 6	3,24,942 7 0	1,08,81[illegible] 6 10	[illegible]8,323 1 4
Stationery and printing	711 14 0	780 1 10	204 14 3	792 8 6	198 1 11
REFUNDS AND DRAWBACKS.					
Excise duty on salt, &c., refunds...	74,974 6 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Customs duty, &c., refunded ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total, Refunds and Drawbacks ...	74,974 6 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
EXCISE ABKARI.					
Salary of establishment					
Grain compensation	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Travelling allowance to establishment	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rewards	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Petty supply allowance	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clothing to peons	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arms and accoutrements	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hutting money	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Service postage	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Petty repairs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rents	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Division.			North Kanara.	Portuguese Frontier.		Total.
Thána Range.	Uran Range.	Ratnágiri Range	Kánara Range.	Daman Frontier.	Goa Frontier.	
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1,443 11 0	730 2 0	1,108 9 0	474 5 0	103 0 0	557 3 0	8,054 13 0
6 14 0	4 8 0	7 5 0	7 1 0	.....	10 5 0	346 6 0
726 8 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	726 8 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	166 2 0
45 0 0	40 0 0	190 14 11	39 12 0	.....	15 0 0	330 10 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,691 8 9
325 4 8	.....	362 0 0	93 0 0	.....	5,822 13 4	7,304 0 7
307 12 7	57 0 0	21 8 0	36 6 0	.....	.....	688 8 2
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600 0 0
1,543 10 8	2,109 14 8	1,245 4 5	170 11 0	.....	1,380 1 5	38,427 4 4
700 12 0	794 8 0	585 13 0	218 4 0	992 13 4	795 4 3	8,895 4 4
22,600 3 8	6,180 7 0	2,723 3 6	1,731 9 3	2,272 13 4	9,651 2 5	43,074 6 8
37 0 0	1 8 0	1,082 10 3	612 1 0	934 15 6	2,836 10 1	35,519 1 0
230 7 0	1 14 0	105 0 0	70 15 9	53 5 0	11 4 0	936 13 1
5,425 3 11	2,534 2 5	4,696 0 5	287 0 0	.....	.....	14,485 13 10
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180 9 9
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,10,851 2 11
.....	3,806 3 9	238 13 8	745 1 9	.....	.....	4,790 3 2
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,303 8 1
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,920 5 0
200 0 0	931 4 0	673 0 0	249 8 0	.....	.....	2,313 3 0
.....	1 12 0	.....	4 6 0	.....	.....	6 2 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	12 0 6	.....	67 10 3
85 6 3	66 12 0	780 3 0	124 0 0	.....	247 11 10	2,442 13 3
.....	704 5 4	.....	.....	.....	207 1 2	1,196 12 0
11 11 12 0	10 15 5	13 8 0	12 8 0	.....	.....	491 3 8
1,224 15 7	811 13 4	301 15 7	388 7 5	921 11 3	3,504 15 3	8,979 7 11
555 4 1	420 5 3	346 13 3	262 6 0	91 0 3	528 4 3	3,743 0 11
7 2 0	443 11 6	157 9 3	50 0 0	.....	13 13 0	826 1 9
130 1 6	117 12 0	183 14 0	150 12 0	26 14 0	291 8 0	1,066 9 4
192 14 6	260 0 0	10 0 0	47 10 6	.....	9 8 0	521 5 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	195 2 6
.....	29 3 6	23 8 0	18 2 0	.....	270 9 3	402 0 9
3 4 3	11 7 9	7 2 6	4 3 9	21 6 9	42 8 9	98 7 6
1,526 3 2	1,550 6 4	343 10 6	183 14 4	30 0 0	1,178 9 10	5,278 10 5
8 14 8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 14 8
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 15 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	295 14 8
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	760 0 0
6 2 3	5 12 3	5 1 1	3 10 6	17 10 9	27 1 10	72 0 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	48 0 0	13 4 3	79 4 3
1 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 6 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	116 11 3
2,62,626 13 2	1,80,366 1 10	91,762 7 4	55,104 11 3	46,314 9 8	1,82,606 5 0	17,43,987 2 6
1,063 4 3	1,524 0 7	875 9 0	521 0 0	2,728 15 7	957 14 0	8,758 3 11
243 3 7	292 10 7	100 0 0	.....	.....	.....	75,613 4 5
2 0 0	52 8 0	17 4 0	.....	.....	39 13 3	111 9 3
248 3 4	345 2 7	117 4 0	.....	.....	39 13 3	75,724 13 8
.....	22,872 7 2	.....	.....	.....	.....	22,872 7 2
.....	1,163 10 2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,163 10 2
.....	39 9 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 9 0
.....	100 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 0 0
.....	116 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	116 0 0
.....	956 8 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	956 8 0
.....	40 12 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 12 0
.....	428 7 6	.....	.....	.....	.....	428 7 6
.....	79 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	79 0 0
.....	5 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 0 0
.....	78 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	78 0 0

Heads of Receipt and Expenditure.	Presidency Division.	Northern Division.			Southern
	Bombay Head Quarter Office.	Northern Frontier Range.	Khándeish Range.	Surat Range.	The Deputy Collector, Coast Guard,
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
EXPENDITURE—*continued.*					
EXCISE ABKÁRI—*continued.*					
Municipal taxes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bond stock articles	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Purchase of Books	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Refunds and drawbacks	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Excise establishment contribution	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total Excise ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPENSATIONS.					
Compensation to proprietors of Salt pans in Portuguese India ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous compensations ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Service Inams	.....	.....	6,032 0 10	2 869 9 10	.....
Total Assignments and Compensations ...	.....	.....	6,032 0 10	2,869 9 10	.....
EXCLUDED LOCAL FUNDS.					
PORT FUNDS-NORTHERN GROUP.					
Collection and Management.					
Pay of establishment	255 2 3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grain Compensation	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contingencies	17 8 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Removal of waifs	.....	.....	.....	765 9 5	.....
Contribution to coast guard's establishment	5 000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pensions and gratuity	.....	.....	.....	316 12 11	.....
Vessels and Boats.					
Establishment	.....	.....	.....	529 0 0	.....
Grain Compensation	.....	.....	.....	52 8 0	.....
Contingencies	.....	.....	.....	2 5 12 0	.....
Ferry hire	.....	.....	.....	34 8 0	.....
Beacons and Light-houses.					
Establishment	.....	.....	.....	4,571 8 8	.....
Grain Compensation	.....	.....	.....	341 7 3	.....
Travelling allowance ...	.....	.....	.....	75 12 0	.....
Advances (cost of original works and repairs executed by P. W. D.)	.....	2,047 0 0		7,523 0 0	.....
Cost of original works and repairs executed departmentally ...	.....	.....	.....	535 9 2	.....
Contingencies	.....	.....	.....	2,135 2 4	.....
Purchase and maintenance of buoys	.....	.....	.....	13 12 0	.....
Refunds	.....	.....	.....	2 5 6	.....
Accountant General's audit fees ...	92 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Investment in Government Security	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	5,364 10 3	.....	2,047 0 0	17,062 11 3	.....
PORT FUND, SOUTHERN GROUP.					
Collection and Management.					
Pay of establishment	657 9 5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grain Compensation	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contribution to coast guard establishment	5,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contingencies	50 10 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Removal of waifs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vessels and Boats.					
Establishment	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grain Compensation	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contingencies	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Division.			North Kánara.	Portuguese Frontier.		Total.
Thána Range.	Uran Range.	Ratnágiri Range.	Kánara Range.	Daman Frontier.	Goa Frontier.	
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
.....	26 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 0 0
.....	50 5 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 5 0
.....	4 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 0 0
.....	12,630 7 6	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,630 7 6
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	38,595 2 4	.....	.....	.....	.....	38,595 2 4
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,593 1 7	2,593 1 7
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
433 9 11	2,212 13 7	2,458 8 11	.....	.....	.....	14,006 11 1
433 9 11	2,212 13 7	2,458 8 11	.....	.....	2,593 1 7	16,599 12 8
84 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	339 2 3
17 8 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 8 0
62 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79 8 0
84 4 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	849 13 5
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,000 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	816 12 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	529 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53 8 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	285 12 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 8 0
87 11 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,599 4 6
12 10 7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	364 1 10
3 7 6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 3 6
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,570 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	535 9 2
239 15 2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,306 1 6
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 12 0
21 10 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 0 5
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	92 0 0
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
633 4 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25,107 9 6
72 0 0	268 3 9	.....	.....	.....	.....	997 13 2
11 8 0	33 12 7	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 4 7
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,000 0 0
.....	.....	17 6 3	19 9 1	.....	.....	87 9 4
76 11 7	26 2 10	189 0 11	50 10 4	.....	.....	341 15 8
.....	.....	1,005 1 1	1,175 8 0	.....	.....	2,270 9 1
.....	.....	173 8 11	90 14 5	.....	.....	264 7 4
.....	.....	983 8 5	484 5 7	.....	.....	1,437 14 0

Heads of Receipt and Expenditure.	Presidency Division.	Northern Division.			Southern
	Bombay Head Quarter Office.	Northern Frontier Range.	Khándeish Range.	Surat Range.	The Deputy Collector, Coast Guard, Southern Division.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
EXPENDITURE—*continued.*					
Port Fund, Southern Group—*continued.*					
Beacons and Light-houses,					
Establishment	240 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grain compensation	36 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Travelling allowance	13 2 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pensions and gratuities	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Accountant General's audit fees ...	156 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Purchase and maintenance of buoys.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contingencies	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Refunds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contribution to life boat	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cost of original works and repairs executed by P. W. D. (advances).	1,200 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Do. do. (departmentally).	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Investment in Government Security	19,560 15 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	26,914 4 11	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total Local Fund ...	32,278 15 2	.....	2,017 0 0	17,062 11 3	.....
Tankaria Dharam Talao Fund ...	.....	.....	.....	60 0 0	.....
Grand Total ...	2,10,296 9 8	2,25,472 15 4	4,03,226 6 1	1,29,791 4 5	88,521 3 3

Division.				Northern Kánara.	Portuguese Frontier.		Total.
Thána Range.	Uran Range.	Ratnágiri Range.	Kánara Range.	Pánan Frontier.	Goa Frontier.		
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
919 15 4	756 12 3	4,891 5 0	5,070 8 8	.....	.....	11,878 9 3	
142 1 4	122 13 9	376 4 3	210 7 11	.....	.....	887 11 3	
2 8 6	1 12 6	18 5 6	8 15 6	.....	.....	44 12 0	
35 5 4	.....	136 9 8	254 0 8	.....	.....	425 15 8	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,56 0 0	
.....	95 6 0	1,166 9 6	558 0 9	.....	.....	1,820 0 3	
757 2 8	653 1 6	3,921 5 10	3,646 3 7	.....	.....	8,977 13 7	
53 3 3	.....	2 4 0	.....	.....	.....	55 7 3	
.....	.....	300 0 0	.....	.....	.....	300 0 0	
1,506 0 0	.....	3,172 0 0	1,911 0 0	.....	.....	7,589 0 0	
296 0 0	13 1 9	5,208 11 9	207 9 2	.....	.....	5,725 6 8	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,560 15 6	
3,871 8 0	1,971 2 11	21,622 7 1	13,687 13 8	.....	.....	68,067 4 7	
4,504 12 0	1,971 2 11	21,622 7 1	13,687 13 8	.....	.....	93,174 14 1	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 0 0	
2,69,776 10 8	2,31,014 7 10	1,16,836 4 4	60,313 8 11	46,513 8 10	1,86,197 1 10	19,76,960 1 2	

H. O. QUIN,
Acting Collector of Salt Revenue.

STATEMENT

Comparative Statement of the Produce and Sales of Salt Manufactured

Divisions.	Talukas.	Number of Sizes.	Number of Salt Works.	Balance at the commencement of the year.	Produce. Estimated contents of heaps.	Produce. Excess over estimate of lots disposed of.	Produce. Total according to revised Estimates.	Total of Balance and Produce.
	Ahmedabad Collectorate.			Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.
GUJARAT DIVISION.	Nawragháda	2	2	30,32,986 20	20,87,955 0	4,665 22	20,92,620 22	51,25,607 2
	Ahmedabad	...	...	68,215 0	66,285 0	251 0	66,536 0	1,34,751 0
	Total ...	2	2	31,01,201 20	21,54,240 0	4,916 22	21,59,156 22	52,60,358 2
	Surat Collectorate.							
	Dhárasana	1	1	2,43,778 0	3,25,455 0	4,092 0	3,29,547 0	5,73,325 0
KONKAN DIVISION.	*Thana Collectorate.*							
	Umbargaon	1	1	259 0	7,007 0	145 0	7,152 0	7,411 0
	Bassein	7	28	1,44,216 20	14,12,907 20	17,013 30	14,30,521 10	15,74737 30
	Ghodbandar	9	46	2,35,767 10	10,43,360 10	41,399 20	10,84,759 30	13,20,027 0
	Trombay	4	24	75,514 20	7,38,184 30	28,073 20	7,66,258 10	8,41,772 30
	Island of Bombay ...	...	...	.....	... ..	... ..	.....	.....
	Mátunga	6	25	1,01,635 20	9,34,243 18	11,072 12	9,45,315 30	10,47,071 10
	Kolaba Collectorate.							
	Panvel	6	19	62,841 10	4,73,016 26	6,015 30	4,79,032 16	5,41,873 26
	Uran	11	87	3,61,878 10	14,55,055 20	25,358 10	18,81,313 30	22,43,192 0
	Sankse (Pen)	5	32	36,238 13	4,74,208 10	8,888 35	4,83,097 5	4,59,335 18
	Karanja	4	26	2,48,496 30	6,19,115 20	24,413 20	6,34,829 0	8,83,325 30
	Ratnagiri Collectorate.							
	Shiroda	1	27	17,758 0	81,281 0	1,166 0	82,447 0	1,00,205 0
	Kánara Collectorate.							
	Ankola	1	131	98,316 0	1,11,538 0	1,697 0	1,13,235 0	2,11,551 0
	Total ...	55	446	13,82,941 13	76,82,217 34	1,66,443 17	78,48,661 11	92,31,602 24
	Grand Total ...	54	449	47,27,320 33	1,01,61,912 0	1,75,451 39	1,03,37,364 33	1,50,65,285 26

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in the Bombay Presidency for the five years ending 1897-98.

Sales.				Amount of Excise Duty collected.	Loss and Wastage.	Total of sales and Loss and Wastage.	Balance in hand at the close of the year.	Remarks.
On payment of full duty.	On payment of Reduced Duty.	Free of Duty.	Total.					
Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	Mds. s.	
17,18,126 0	.....	1,031 20 0	17,19,157 20 0	43,41,723 0 0	220,445 19 0	1,949,602 39 0	1,176,004 3 0	
80,781 0	.....	.....	80,131 0 0	2,00,452 8 0	601 0 0	80,782 0 0	53,960 0 0	
17,98,907 0	.....	1,031 20 0	17,99,338 20 0	45,42,177 8 0	231,046 19 0	2,030,384 39 0	1,229,973 3 0	
3,06,194 0	.....	.....	306,194 0 0	7,71,615 0 0	37,314 0 0	343,538 0 0	229,787 0 0	
6,087 0	.....	.....	6,087 0 0	15,217 8 0	834 0 0	6,921 0 0	400 0 0	
13,15,832 0	.....	.....	1,315,832 0 0	31,35,975 10 0	85,610 20 0	1,401,442 20 0	179,295 10 0	
9,74,882 10	.....	.....	974,882 10 0	24,28,363 0 0	130,153 30 0	1,105,036 0 0	215,501 0 0	
7,14,238 0	702 0	.....	715,540 0 0	17,24,450 10 0	48,553 30 0	764,223 30 0	77,849 0 0	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
9,09,694 0	.....	.....	909,694 0 0	21,73,093 2 0	61,509 20 0	971,203 20 0	76,307 30 0	
4,28,815 26	.....	.....	428,815 26 0	10,14,085 6 0	50,228 30 0	479,044 16 0	62,829 10 0	
14,29,813 30	1,59,290 0	40,008 2 0	1,629,102 32 0	38,32,761 7 0	370,020 0 0	2,006,129 32 0	235,662 8 0	
2,96,160 12	440 0	.....	296,600 12 0	7,11,207 10 0	50,689 11 0	356,289 23 0	103,045 35 0	
1,47,901 10	3,94,944 0	.....	541,845 10 0	3,28,849 8 0	103,845 10 0	645,690 20 0	237,635 10 0	
74,738 0	.....	2 0 0	74,740 0 0	1,86,345 0 0	10,037 0 0	84,777 0 0	15,428 0 0	
96,255 0	.....	1,170 0 0	97,425 0 0	2,40,637 8 0	46,207 0 0	143,632 0 0	67,919 0 0	Out of 131 Salt Works 115 only were worked during 1897-98.
63,91,117 8	5,55,976 0	41,178 2 0	69,87,671 10 0	1,56,34,679 5 0	975,718 31 0	7,963,390 1 0	1,268,212 23 0	
64,95,613 8	5,55,976 0	42,209 22 0	9,003,203 30 0	2,03,38,470 13 0	1,244,109 10 0	10,337,313 0 0	4,727,972 26 0	

H. O. QUIN,
Acting Collector of Salt Revenue.

Statement No. VI, showing the Quantity of Salt sold at the various

Talukas and Sizes.	Rates at pice nil.		At ¼ pice per maund.		At ½ pice per maund.		At one pie per maund.		At 2 pice per maund.	
	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
Umbergaon ... Manoli ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1st Jushandra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2nd do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3rd do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dahanu ... Panju ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Umella ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 0 0	0 0 1	3 0 0	0 0 6
Gokhirva ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pápli ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dongri ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bil ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Morwa ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mardha A...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ghodbander ... Do. B ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhárdar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	200 0 0	3 3 0
Sondgar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Málsvni ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Goregaon ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tromlay ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dowar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trombay ... Mahul ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ghátkopar...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wadála ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dadkhodal ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	300 0 0	5 0 0
Sulemánsha ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mahim ... Sion ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salsette ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kowrá ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Antone ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dongarkhár ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,800 0 0	13 4 0
Dahji ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mur-ghat ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chiwri ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Uran ... ... Gamti ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kantekhár ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zagali ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhowa ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	300 0 0	2 3 0
Zirauli ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rámshankar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thenákal ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Somatgra ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Karanja ... Ovalikhádi ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chirner ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Panvel ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vághivli ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Belápur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Panvel ... Karawe ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,400 0 0	87 8 0
Neral ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Barsole ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Umbarde ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sambri ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pen ... Shilotar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sondgar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chikhli ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shiroda ... Shiroda ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ankola ... Nagarbali...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 0 0	0 0 1	11,243 0 0	117 1 10

At 3 pies per maund.		At 4 pies per maund.		At 5½ pies per maund.		At 6 pies per maund.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 0 0	0 0 3	2 0 0	0 0 8	...	...	...	...
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2,015 0 0	31 7 9	...	...	...	...	24,241 31 0	737 10 5
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 0 0	1 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6,409 0 0	100 2 3	...	...	...	...	5 0 0	1 1 0
25,264 20 0	394 12 11½	...	...	...	...	2,167 30 0	67 11 10½
15,358 0 0	239 15 6	...	...	...	...	...	...
6,153 0 0	91 2 3	...	...	...	...	951 20 0	29 2 3
20,967 0 0	321 0 9	...	...	...	...	15 0 0	0 7 6
19,821 0 0	309 11 3	...	...	...	...	217 0 0	6 12 6
41,602 0 0	647 1 0	...	...	...	...	1,502 0 0	46 15 0
40,894 0 0	637 10 0	...	...	...	...	3,653 0 0	114 13 0
55,877 0 0	871 1 3	...	...	...	...	1,891 0 0	58 4 6
1,440 0 0	22 2 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
11,954 0 0	186 12 6	13,262 0 0	276 11 4	...	...	4,580 0 0	140 10 0
11,754 0 0	183 10 0	3,301 0 0	81 6 0	...	...	...	...
4,605 0 0	72 2 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
5,674 0 0	88 3 6	3,381 0 0	70 8 0	...	...	...	...
10,510 0 0	164 11 6	...	...	...	...	...	...
17,126 0 0	267 0 6	2,222 0 0	46 8 0	...	...	...	...
47,939 0 0	747 0 3	...	...	...	...	2,385 0 0	70 14 6
53,954 0 0	841 0 6	851 0 0	18 0 0	...	...	...	...
36,419 20 0	568 14 7	8,241 20 0	171 11 3	...	...	2,053 0 0	65 4 0
42,049 0 0	657 0 3	3,538 0 0	73 8 0	...	...	...	...
23,359 0 0	367 15 6	618 0 0	13 8 0	...	...	2,201 0 0	64 12 0
4,196 0 0	65 6 6	...	...	...	...	27,030 0 0	843 9 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	63,352 0 0	1,979 12 0
720 0 0	11 4 0	...	...	...	...	146,703 0 0	4,584 9 0
2,291 0 0	40 8 0	...	...	...	...	52,442 0 0	1,641 15 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,944 0 0	30 7 2	...	...	...	...	2 0 0	0 1 0
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...	...	...	...	...	...	195 0 0	6 1 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	450 0 0	12 3 7	240 0 0	7 8 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
130,106 20 0	7,979 6 81	33,697 20 80	751 13 3	450 0 0	12 3 7	336,375 0 0	10,538 9 0½

At 7 pies per maund.		At 8 pies per maund.		At 9 pies per maund.		At 10 pies per maund.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
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At 11 pies per maund.		At 1 anna per maund.		At 1 anna and 2 pies.		At 1 anna 3 pies.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	16,592 20 0	1,037 0 3	...	...	...	...
...	...	17,440 20 0	1,090 6 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	17,606 20 0	1,100 6 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	27,614 10 0	1,675 14 2	...	...	...	...
...	...	47,305 20 0	2,069 4 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	7,985 20 0	499 1 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	23,159 0 0	1,447 7 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	7,313 0 0	457 1 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,800 0 0	112 8 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	2,536 0 0	158 8 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	31,432 20 0	1,964 9 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	9,536 0 0	596 0 0	484 0 0	35 4 8	...	...
...	...	2,466 20 0	154 2 9	...	...	...	...
...	...	3,013 0 0	189 14 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	29,792 0 0	1,862 1 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	36,218 0 0	2,264 14 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	26,405 20 0	1,650 5 9	...	...	...	...
...	...	7,782 10 0	486 4 3	...	...	...	...
...	...	135,650 20 0	8,478 11 9	...	...	...	...
...	...	91,568 20 0	5,723 0 0	...	...	20 0 0	1 0 0
...	...	111,438 10 0	6,964 14 2	...	...	...	...
...	...	126,852 20 0	7,928 3 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	203,076 10 0	12,723 9 3	...	...	...	...
...	...	22,422 20 0	1,401 1 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,584 0 0	99 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	11,484 0 0	717 12 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,363 0 0	85 8 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	4,220 0 0	276 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	5,285 0 0	330 11 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	4,189 0 0	261 8 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	2,062 0 0	128 6 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	4,032 0 0	252 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	14,581 0 0	911 6 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	7,374 0 0	445 14 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	9,216 0 0	576 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	13,020 0 0	813 12 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	47,888 0 0	2,618 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	49,589 20 0	3,031 13 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	19,172 0 0	1,217 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	124 0 0	7 12 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	2,169 20 0	323 0 6	...	...	1,744 0 0	105 0 0
...	...	8 0 0	0 8 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	400 0 0	25 0 0	...	...	805 0 0	21 10 3
...	...	224 0 0	14 10 0	...	...	570 0 0	44 9 6
...	...	15,851 20 0	999 11 11	...	...	...	...
...	...	19,801 7 0	1,242 8 2	...	...	...	...
...	...	37,004 0 0	2,312 12 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	24,344 10 0	1,520 0 8	...	...	...	...
...	...	32,341 20 0	2,027 8 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	500 0 0	31 4 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,335,853 23 0	83,491 7 10	484 0 0	35 4 8	2,339 0 0	182 11 9

At 1 anna and 4 pies.		At 1 anna and 5 pies.		At 1 anna and 6 pies.		At 1 anna and 7 pies.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,109 0 0	92 6 8	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,310 0 0	107 2 2	...	...	263 20 0	26 1 2
...	...	920 0 0	81 7 4	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	576 0 0	54 0 0	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	9 0 0	0 12 6	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	387 20 0	36 15 3	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	792 0 0	74 4 0	...	...
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At 1 anna and 8 pies per maund.		At 1 anna and 9 pies per maund.		At 1 anna and 10 pies per maund.		At 2 annas per maund.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
...	...	...	...	...	...	6,087 0 0	760 14 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	160,859 10 0	20,107 6 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	171,830 10 0	21,478 12 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	140,650 0 0	18,331 4 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	155,734 20 0	19,466 12 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	210,038 0 0	26,279 12 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	87,683 10 0	10,835 6 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	211,675 30 0	26,456 15 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	77,188 10 0	9,642 4 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	114,723 10 0	14,340 0 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	75,557 20 0	9,444 11 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	114,579 10 0	14,321 6 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	87,798 20 0	10,974 12 0
...	...	...	...	999 20 0	124 3 5	222,891 20 0	27,861 7 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	157,451 20 0	19,681 7 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	5,319 0 0	664 14 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	43,636 20 0	5,079 9 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	79,034 20 0	9,781 13 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	33,757 0 0	4,219 10 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	52,961 20 0	6,620 12 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	11,154 0 0	1,393 0 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	20 0 0	2 5 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	100 0 0	12 8 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	7,879 0 0	984 14 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	120 0 0	15 0 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	84,844 0 0	10,605 8 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	90,163 12 0	11,265 0 7
...	...	...	...	...	...	48,890 20 0	6,111 1 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	70,564 0 0	8,820 8 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	130,974 10 0	16,371 12 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	70,025 0 0	8,753 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	137,600 20 0	17,200 5 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	199,648 10 0	24,956 0 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	1 2,953 30 0	14,119 3 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	98,812 0 0	12,351 8 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	78,968 0 0	9,873 8 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	61,508 20 0	7,688 9 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	23,309 10 0	2,921 2 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	20,147 0 0	2,520 14 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	16,141 0 0	2,017 10 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	420 0 0	52 4 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	20,378 10 0	2,547 5 6
...	...	252 0 0	27 9 0	...	...	137,747 26 0	17,218 7 4
...	...	...	...	...	...	69,053 10 0	8,631 10 6
...	...	400 0 0	43 12 0	...	...	86,896 20 0	10,862 2 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	79,462 10 0	9,932 12 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	9,529 0 0	1,191 1 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	31,202 20 0	3,900 9 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	25,855 0 0	3,231 14 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	57,062 20 0	7,132 13 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	16,896 10 0	2,112 0 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	807 0 0	100 14 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	17,626 0 0	2,203 4 0
...	...	652 0 0	71 5 0	999 20 0	124 3 5	4,038,703 18 0	5,04,2-6 2 11

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At 2 annas and 3 pies per maund.		At 2 annas and 5 pies per maund.		At 2 annas and 6 pies per maund.		At 2 annas and 7 pies per maund.		At 2 annas and 8 pies per maund.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
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...	...	280 0 0	42 4 8	...	...	524 0 0	84 9 8	404 0 0	82 5 4
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...	...	...	...	340 0 0	51 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	200 0 0	31 0 0	...	...	...	...
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128 0 0	46 2 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	340 0 0	52 2 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	28 0 0	4 6 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
524 0 0	46 2 0	280 0 0	42 4 8	2,592 0 0	561 4 0	524 0 0	84 9 8	404 0 0	82 5 4
				5,661 0 0	855 12 0				

At 2 annas and 10 pies per maund.		At 3 annas per maund.		At 3 annas and 3 pies per maund.		At 3 annas and 6 pies per maund.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	2,9 4 0 0	555 15 0	880 20 0	172 13 8	150 24 0	72 11 9
...	...	1 0 0	0 3 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	59 0 0	11 1 0	...	...	283 0 0	53 2 6
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	645 0 0	120 15 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	400 0 0	75 0 0	...	...	...	...
369 0 0	69 12 0	1,943 10 0	364 5 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	15,000 0 0	2,812 12 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	903 0 0	173 11 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	3,615 0 0	677 13 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	954 0 0	178 14 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,127 0 0	211 5 0	...	...	...	...
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...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	11,479 0 0	1,948 7 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	17,260 0 0	3,113 4 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	11,185 0 0	2,097 3 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	14,774 0 0	2,695 2 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	13,642 0 0	2,362 14 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	4,884 0 0	916 8 0	...	...	320 0 0	75 8 0
...	...	6,466 30 0	1,212 8 3	...	...	...	...
...	...	17,297 0 0	3,261 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	50,788 20 0	2,0 8 14 8	...	...	...	...
...	...	8,613 0 0	1,614 5 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	7,117 0 0	1,333 8 0	...	...	...	...
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...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	384 0 0	72 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	91 0 0	16 14 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	132 0 0	24 12 0	...	...	42 0 0	9 3 0
...	...	12 0 0	2 4 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	56 0 0	10 14 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,145 0 0	214 11 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	2,045 0 0	383 1 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	2,637 0 0	741 3 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	375 0 0	70 5 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	276 20 0	51 13 6	...	...	...	...
...	...	736 0 0	138 12 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	9,969 0 0	1,812 15 0	...	...	...	...
369 0 0	69 12 0	193,710 0 0	29,900 5 0	856 20 0	178 15 8	775 20 0	189 10 2

At 3 annas and 9 pies per maund.		At 4 annas per maund.		At 4 annas and 6 pies per maund.		At 5 annas per maund.		At 5 annas and 3 pies per maund.	
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
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194 20 0	43 3 11	1,375 0 0	343 12 0	96 0 0	0 2 0	...	...	...	...
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...	...	6,055 0 0	1,138 4 0	114 0 0	0 8 0	74 0 0	23 2 0	...	...
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...	...	12,134 0 0	3,033 8 0	...	...	26 0 0	8 2 0	...	...
...	...	117,514 20 0	29,379 13 0	...	...	1,168 0 0	365 0 0	...	...
...	...	44,213 20 0	11,056 2 0	...	...	393 0 0	63 7 0	...	...
...	...	104,033 20 0	26,153 6 0	...	...	1,272 0 0	395 0 0	...	...
...	...	63,240 30 0	15,901 7 0	...	...	1,241 0 0	388 7 0	...	...
...	...	20 0 0	5 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	54 0 0	16 14 0	...	...
...	...	40 20 0	10 2 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	164 0 0	41 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	22 0 0	5 8 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,092 0 0	270 8 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	324 0 0	81 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
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...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	324 0 0	81 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
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...	...	826 0 0	144 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	572 0 0	143 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
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...	...	10 0 0	2 8 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	951 0 0	237 12 0	...	...	2,696 0 0	809 6 0	88 0 0	28 14 0
...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	9,161 0 0	2,290 4 0	...	...	4 0 0	1 4 0	...	...
...	...	697 20 0	174 6 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	2,183 20 0	546 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,230 0 0	307 8 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	4,003 0 0	1,001 12 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	5,192 0 0	1,298 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	920 20 0	230 2 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	3,160 30 0	797 11 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	3,240 0 0	810 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	69,250 0 0	17,307 8 0	...	...	11 0 0	6 9 0	...	...
...	...	6,715 0 0	1,678 4 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
194 20 0	43 3 11	403,369 20 0	1,13,892 7 0	210 0 0	30 10 0	6,711 0 0	2,027 3 0	88 0 0	28 14 0

Sazas in the Konkan and North Kánara during the year 1897-98.

At 5 annas and 6 pies per maund.		At 6 annas per maund.		At 7 annas per maund.		At 8 annas per maund.		Total.		Average price per maund.
Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	Maunds.	Amount.	
Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,087 0 0	706 14 0	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	177,451 20 0	21,344 0 9	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	199,143 20 0	24,778 10 10	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	164,237 20 0	19,431 13 0	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	170,948 20 0	20,942 11 3	0 1 10
...	...	80 0 0	18 12 0	...	...	...	...	267,748 20 0	31,151 15 6	0 1 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	93,008 20 0	11,134 9 0	0 1 8
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	234,814 20 0	27,904 6 6	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	84,851 20 0	10,090 5 6	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	117,548 10 0	14,681 5 6	0 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	79,093 20 0	9,403 3 0	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	172,432 20 0	17,094 7 6	0 1 7
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	90,327 20 0	11,533 9 4	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	231,742 20 0	28,825 1 6	0 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	163,893 20 0	19,977 12 4	0 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29,810 0 0	3,572 8 0	0 1 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	204 0 0	163 0 0	13,967 0 0	3,376 0 0	0 4 0
...	...	3,585 20 0	1,265 5 0	...	...	...	...	211,691 10 0	30,739 9 3	0 2 0
...	...	3,570 20 0	1,338 15 0	...	...	...	...	181,702 30 0	23,947 11 0	0 2 1
...	...	6,840 10 0	2,593 12 6	...	...	120 0 0	60 0 0	189,596 30 0	25,825 0 9	0 2 0
...	...	1,472 20 0	552 3 0	...	...	...	...	133,954 20 0	23,080 12 9	0 2 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	167,396 30 0	19,189 14 6	0 1 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	112,440 20 0	6,074 4 8	0 0 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	154,942 20 0	7,670 12 9	0 0 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	180,998 0 0	10,371 0 2	0 0 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	261,836 10 0	13,609 1 0	0 0 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23,913 20 0	1,421 3 0	0 0 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	127,795 0 0	23,539 4 10	0 1 8
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	139,836 12 0	16,248 0 7	0 1 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60,065 20 0	8,246 14 0	0 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	98,620 0 0	12,025 7 6	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	168,449 10 0	19,000 1 6	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	90,211 0 0	10,316 1 6	0 1 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	101,256 10 0	10,421 1 6	0 1 7
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	270,214 10 0	29,411 1 0	0 1 8
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	156,486 10 0	17,914 5 6	0 1 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	160,676 0 0	18,727 2 3	0 1 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	119,660 0 0	12,018 12 6	0 1 7
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100,376 20 0	9,807 4 6	0 1 5
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	128,620 10 0	7,358 14 6	0 0 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	216,102 20 0	10,146 2 6	0 0 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	90,787 0 0	4,918 9 0	0 0 10
20 0 0	6 14 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,705 0 0	1,249 14 0	0 4 3
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20,668 10 0	2,564 2 6	0 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	164,982 0 0	20,171 6 7	0 1 11
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	70,880 20 0	8,929 3 6	0 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	90,684 10 0	11,572 13 9	0 2 1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	77,096 10 0	9,749 7 0	0 2 0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30,623 30 0	3,432 6 11	0 1 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	49,237 0 0	6,030 11 11	0 2 10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	66,716 20 0	6,321 15 0	0 1 6
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	85,672 20 0	9,566 13 9	0 1 9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	74,551 0 0	8,673 12 1	0 1 9
...	...	3,154 0 0	1,183 12 0	...	...	316 0 0	120 0 0	74,736 0 0	10,800 11 0	0 4 4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	97,435 0 0	11,932 1 6	0 1 11
20 0 0	6 14 0	15,602 30 0	6,004 12 6	...	...	862 0 0	461 0 0	6,997,060 10 0	778,731 8 1	0 1 9

H. O. QUIN,
Acting Collector of Salt Revenue.

Statement No. VII, showing Quantities of Foreign Salt imported by Sea and by Land into the Bombay Presidency during the year 1897-98.

Description of Salt.	Importations by Sea.					Importations by Land.						Total of Imports by Sea and Land.	
	Place of Export.	Place of Import.	Mode of Conveyance.	Quantity Imported.	Amount of Import Duty levied.	Place of Export.	Place of Import.	By what Route.	Mode of Conveyance.	Quantity Imported.	Amount of Import Duty levied.	Quantity Imported.	Amount of Import Duty levied.
				Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.					Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
Table and packing salt.	United Kingdom.	Bombay ..	Square rigged vessel.	3,712 13 0	9,280 13 1								
Do. ..	Holland ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	22 11 0	55 10 11								
Do. ..	Belgium ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	5 21 33	13 13 5								
Do. ..	Batoum ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	0 3 33	0 8 5								
Do. ..	Victoria ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	2 29 0	7 7 0								
Do. ..	Japan ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	4 5 0	10 5 0								
Do. ..	Bristol ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	0 10 20	0 10 3								
Do. ..	Hamburg ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	0 14 47	0 14 7								
Do. ..	Ceylon ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	2 21 0	6 5 0								
Do. ..	Zanzibar ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	0 1 0	0 1 0								
Do.	Muskat ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	0 13 47	0 13 7								
Table and Sinda salt.	Persia ..	Do. ..	Country Craft	2,5 0 30 0	6,376 14 0								
Black salt (Sanchal).	Kathiawar..	Do' ..	Do. ..	1,933 24 20	4,834 0 3								
Goa salt	Goa Territory	Bombay Presidency (Kanara District).	Do. ..	2 33 0	7 1 0								
			Total ..	8,198 0 40	20,495 0 6							8,198 0 40	20,495 0 6
Kathiawar salt ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Gogo ..	Ahmedabad District.	Bhavnagar-Gogha road.	Cart and donkeys.	12 0 0	30 0 0		
Goa salt	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Digi ..	Bombay Presidency.	Goa Frontier ..	Head and bullock loads.	2,001 34 0	5,004 10 0		
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Bánda ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	15,385 2 40	38,462 10 6		
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Kelghat..	Do. ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	607 8 40	1,518 0 6		
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Karwár ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	2,497 16 60	6,243 8 9		
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	CastleRock	Do. ..	Do. ..	Rail and bullock loads.	226,230 17 60			
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Do. ..	Mysore ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	40,098 19 60	6,94,524 9 3		
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Do. ..	Madras ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	10,027 23 20			
									Total ..	296,869 2 40	7,45,783 7 0	296,869 2 40	7,45,783 7 0
			Total ..	8,198 0 40	20,495 0 6				Grand Total ..	296,869 2 40	7,45,783 7 0	305,067 3 0	7,66,278 7 6

H. O. QUIN,
Acting Collector of Salt Revenue.

Statement No. VIII, showing the Quantities of each description of Salt imported and delivered from Salt-works in the Bombay Presidency during the years 1896-97 and 1897-98.

Description of Salt.	1896-97.		1897-98.		Increase in 1897-98.		Decrease in 1897-98.	
	Quantity.	Amount realized.	Quantity.	Amount realized.	Quantity.	Amount realized.	Quantity.	Amount realized.
	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.	Mds. s. t.	Rs. a. p.
Barágara salt	17,82,942 20 0	44,33,375 0 0	17,99,338 20 0	45,42,177 8 0	16,396 0 0	1,08,802 8 0	.....	.....
Sea salt	72,61,305 2 59	1,66,69,375 2 3	75,90,737 5 40	1,71,42,083 13 0	3,29,432 2 61	4,72,708 10 9	.....	.....
Natural salt	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sinda salt	902 24 40	2,256 8 6	2,510 30 0	6,276 14 0	1,608 5 40	4,020 5 6	.....	.....
Table salt	3,396 20 26	8,491 4 4	3,750 33 20	9,377 1 3	354 12 74	885 12 11	.....	.....
Bhávnagar black salt (Sanchal)...	636 28 0	1,591 12 0	1,933 24 20	4,834 0 3	1,296 36 20	3,242 4 3	.....	.....
Total ...	90,49,183 15 45	2,11,15,089 11 1	93,98,270 33 0	2,17,04,749 4 6	3,49,087 17 35	5,89,659 9 5	.....	.....

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Statement No. IX, showing the Principal Articles of Import and Export, with Ports of the Bombay Presidency

Division.	Táluka.	Number and Names of Ports.		Value of Imports.	Value of Exports.	Import Customs Duty.	Export Customs Duty.
				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Northern Division.	Dhoiera	Whittle Bandar	1	9,21,045 0 0	9,67,754 0 0	6,874 11 5	.....
	Gogo	Gogo...	1	2,24,368 0 0	69,978 0 0	75 0 11	.....
	Cambay	Cambay	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Jambusar	Vankária Dehgám	2	2,62,898 0 0	4,41,394 0 0	131 0 2	.....
	Broach	Broach, Dehej	2	23,21,951 0 0	20,40,655 0 0	27,835 9 6	2 3 9
	Surat	Surat, Bhagwa, Navsári, Matwad.	4	13,04,022 0 0	10,70,816 0 0	5,165 4 4	83 14 0
	Bulsár	Bulsár, Billimora, Kolák, Umarsadi.	4	3,22,849 0 0	7,27,358 0 0	9,008 0 4	2,410 7 8
	Damán	Kalai	1	4,695 0 0	62,896 0 0	.....	.....
		Total, Northern Division ...	16	53,61,828 0 0	53,80,851 0 0	49,089 10 8	2,496 9 5
Southern Division.	Umbargaon ...	Umbargaon, Maroli, Golvad.	3	1,05,501 0 0	1,37,734 0 0	727 2 0	89 12 11
	Tárápur	Tárápur, Dahánu, Navápur, Satpadi, Mahim, Kelva, Dadivrey.	7	4,83,303 0 0	8,06,849 0 0	242 8 5	65 1 2
	Bassein	Bassein, Agáshi, Nanghur ...	3	5,23,437 0 0	16,40,194 0 0	.....	.....
	Ghodbandar ...	Rávi, Uran, Manori, Bándra, Versva.	5	2,77,754 0 0	5,59,888 0 0	10 12 0	.....
	Trombay	Bhiwndi, Thana, Kalyan, Bhándup, Mahul, Trombay.	6	50,35,148 0 0	47,55,424 0 0	8,808 0 5	3,522 7 10
	Uran	Mora, Sheva...	2	10,21,404 0 0	92,30,723 0 0	.....	.....
	Karanja	Karanja, Rewas	2	2,45,909 0 6	22,94,864 0 0	10 12 2	202 0 9
	Panvel	Panvel, Belápur, Chirner, Kherána.	4	7,46,144 0 0	18,12,902 0 0	57 2 2	318 1 3
	Alibág	Alibág, Thal, Revdanda, Mandad.	4	4,96,123 0 0	6,52,825 0 0	50 13 0	264 12 8
	Sánksi	A'tors, Nagaona	2	6,64,362 0 0	7,30,310 0 0	24 0 9	.....
	Suvarndurg ...	Bánkot, Kelshi, Harnai ...	3	11,82,516 0 0	5,48,163 0 0	638 12 7	203 2 4
	Anjanvel	Anjanvel, Boria	2	16,87,926 0 0	14,71,104 0 0	2,572 8 3	204 13 9
	Ratnágiri	Ratnágiri, Jaighad, Purangiad, Wareda.	4	15,05,177 0 0	4,69,685 0 0	845 10 6	10 14 11
	Vishálgurg	Jaitapur, Vishálgurg ...	2	14,72,246 0 0	12,69,507 0 0	2,820 11 2	.....
	Málvan	Málvan, A'chra, Devgad ...	3	10,30,970 0 0	6,25,567 0 0	1,436 4 8	3,288 2 5
	Vengurla	Vengurla, Nivti	2	20,72,568 0 0	16,09,379 0 0	2,943 5 4	2,700 0 4
	Shiroda	Redi	1	44,492 0 0	1,15,164 0 0	48 7 7	414 0 9
	Banda	Kirnápani	1	76,632 0 0	46,055 0 0	.....	.....
	Kárwár	Sadáshivgad, Kárwár, Chendia, Belikeri.	4	3,72,027 0 0	3,23,982 0 0	199 5 1	861 8 5
	Ankola	Ankola, Gangavali, Tadri ...	3	2,62,173 0 0	3,63,211 0 0	243 11 4	3,802 4 11
	Honávar	Kumta, Murdeshvar, Honávar, Bhatkal, Shirali, Manki.	6	14,79,975 0 0	22,79,079 0 0	2,954 1 2	712 9 1
		Total, Southern Division...	69	2,07,87,087 0 0	9,17,32,909 0 0	24,634 0 7	16,659 13 6
		Presidency Division, Hume Collector of Salt Revenue...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Do. Matunga ...	1	.....	5,16,515 0 0	.....	.....
		Grand Total ...	86	2,61,48,915 0 0	3,76,29,375 0 0	73,723 11 3	19,156 6 11

their Values and Details of the Sea-Customs Collections realized at the different during the year 1897-98.

Revenue.

Total Customs Duty.	Wharfage Fees.	Registry Fees.	Confiscations and Penalties.	Miscellaneous.	Total.	Refunds.	Net Revenue.
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
6,874 11 5	.....	.....	69 9 3	60 9 3	7,004 13 11	.....	7,004 13 11
75 0 11	.....	30 0 0	3 9 2	10 0 0	127 10 1	.....	127 10 1
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
131 0 2	.....	2 0 0	190 0 0	52 12 1	375 12 3	.....	375 12 3
27,837 13 3	350 10 6	83 0 0	81 6 0	101 7 1	28,454 4 10	.....	28,454 4 10
5,240 2 4	529 14 3	243 0 0	71 13 0	139 14 3	6,233 11 10	.....	6,823 11 10
11,418 8 0	.....	528 0 0	27 8 0	160 15 9	12,134 15 9	.....	12,134 15 9
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
51,586 4 1	880 8 9	895 0 0	443 13 5	525 10 5	54,331 4 8	.....	54,331 4 8
816 14 11	.....	21 0 0	11 7 0	7 0 0	855 14 11	.....	855 14 11
307 9 7	.....	263 0 0	42 0 0	33 1 0	645 10 7	.....	645 10 7
.....	7 8 0	250 0 0	53 0 0	41 0 0	331 8 0	.....	331 8 0
10 12 0	.....	218 0 0	12 8 0	12 2 6	253 6 6	.....	253 6 6
12,389 8 3	.....	251 0 0	47 8 0	56 8 0	12,685 8 3	2 0 0	12,683 8 3
.....	.....	61 0 0	183 8 0	17 0 0	261 8 0	.....	261 8 0
212 12 11	.....	95 0 0	519 0 0	58 5 0	885 1 11	.....	885 1 11
375 3 5	.....	93 0 0	181 8 0	42 0 0	691 11 5	52 8 0	639 3 5
315 9 8	.....	193 0 0	7 0 0	25 12 0	541 5 8	.....	541 5 8
24 0 9	.....	91 0 0	14 0 0	9 0 0	138 0 9	.....	138 0 9
841 14 11	.....	126 0 0	7 0 0	57 0 0	1,031 14 11	.....	1,031 14 11
2,777 6 0	.....	302 0 0	28 13 3	78 0 0	3,086 3 3	.....	3,086 3 3
856 9 5	.....	536 6 0	98 4 0	124 8 6	1,615 11 11	.....	1,615 11 11
2,820 11 2	.....	337 0 0	318 7 0	98 0 0	3,574 2 2	.....	3,574 2 2
4,724 7 1	.....	310 0 0	161 9 0	42 0 0	5,238 0 1	.....	5,238 0 1
5,642 5 8	8 13 6	41 0 0	2 4 0	187 0 3	5,882 7 5	17 4 0	5,865 3 5
462 8 4	.....	41 0 0	.....	11 7 3	514 15 7	.....	514 15 7
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1,000 13 6	1 2 4	105 0 0	18 8 0	7 10 0	1,193 1 10	.....	1,193 1 10
4,046 0 3	.....	111 0 0	9 0 0	15 7 3	4,181 7 6	.....	4,181 7 6
3,665 10 3	63 0 11	166 0 0	5 0 0	78 4 9	3,978 15 11	.....	3,978 15 11
41,293 14 1	80 8 9	3,491 6 0	1,719 13 3	1,001 2 6	47,586 12 7	71 12 0	47,515 0 7
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
92,880 2 2	961 1 6	4,386 6 0	2,163 10 8	1,526 12 11	1,01,918 1 3	71 12 0	1,01,846 5 3

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Statement No. X, showing the Revenue derived from A'bkári Sea and Land Customs in the Presidency of Bombay, exclusive of the Port of Bombay and the Province of Sind, for the year 1897-98, contrasted with those of the five preceding years.

Years.	Import Sea Customs.	Export Sea Customs.	Import and Export Land Frontier Duties.	Government Share of Transit Duties levied in Cambay, Bánda and Dharampor States.	Anchorage Fees levied at Gombay.	Registry Fees.	Confiscations and Penalties.	Warehouse Rent and Wharfage Fees.	Fees for amendment and duplicate copies of Customs Documents.	Sale-proceeds of Dead-stock Articles.	Miscellaneous.	Still-head Duty on Spirits manufactured at Umr.	Cost of Establishment employed at Umr Distillery paid by Proprietors.	Total.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1892-93 ...	316 4 8	17,578 15 11	33,018 13 4	9,000 0 0	...	4,908 0 0	1,412 14 4	625 1 8	886 10 2	218 3 2	506 15 0	15,80,555 15 4	42,146 0 1	16,91,773 13 8
1893-94 ...	3,933 1 5	16,090 15 0	24,238 8 6	9,000 0 0	...	5,187 2 0	1,160 14 8	533 3 2	861 8 6	123 13 8	423 10 8	15,23,299 13 11	41,609 15 8	16,26,462 11 2
1894-95 ...	81,259 0 5	18,400 8 6	61,138 3 1	9,153 8 0	...	4,602 0 0	2,195 1 3	564 15 0	944 12 0	68 5 8	298 12 8	16,98,405 10 7	44,369 4 3	19,21,420 1 9
1895-96 ...	76,269 11 4	21,253 2 2	68,547 10 11	9,153 8 0	...	4,771 0 0	3,293 7 1	803 4 1	1,049 11 0	67 10 7	295 8 8	17,73,885 1 4	45,707 6 5	20,05,047 1 7
1896-97 ...	70,715 14 1	11,235 8 8	66,082 5 10	9,153 8 0	...	5,185 6 0	3,262 0 8	1,209 15 9	1,199 10 0	94 7 8	511 14 9	16,62,868 10 7	41,231 2 3	18,72,750 8 3
Total ...	2,32,494 0 3	84,649 2 3	2,53,575 9 8	45,460 8 0	...	24,653 8 0	11,324 6 0	3,736 7 8	4,932 3 8	372 8 9	2,036 13 9	82,38,965 3 9	2,15,063 12 8	91,17,454 4 5
Average ...	46,498 12 10	16,929 13 3	50,725 1 11	9,092 1 7	...	4,930 11 2	2,264 14 0	747 4 9	986 7 2	114 8 2	407 5 11	16,47,793 0 9	43,000 12 2	18,23,490 13 8
1897-98 ...	73,723 11 3	19,156 6 11	68,945 3 6	9,153 8 0	...	4,386 6 0	2,463 7 7	961 1 6	1,371 3 0	9 0 9	328 9 2	19,07,477 13 9	42,401 3 9	21,30,377 11 2

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STATEMENT XI.

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Statement No. XI, showing Details of Cases of Salt and Opium.

Divisions.	Nature of Offence.																		Mode of
	Theft from Salt-works.		Smuggling foreign Salt across Frontier.		Clandestine removal of natural Salt.		Removals from Salt-works in excess of quantities specified in Permits.		Miscellaneous.		Total.		By Head-loads.		On Animals.		In Carts.		By Boats.	
	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.
Northern Division ...	2	1 1 11½	34	889 3 64	384	49 36 8½	...	...	2	10 4 30	413	959 5 8½	99	18 25 7½	2	3 34 20	1	9 37 0	11	28 6 16
Damán Frontier ...	...	...	78	236 4 57	...	...	...	...	9	26 8 37	87	258 18 34	59	231 12 28	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total, N. D. and Damán ...	2	1 1 11½	112	1,125 8 41	384	49 36 8½	...	...	11	13 12 77	500	1,218 19 102½	158	570 1 70½	2	3 34 20	1	9 37 0	11	28 6 16
Southern Division ...	43	110 9 50	10	10 10 63	175	101 30 24	1	3 32 40	82	43 27 59½	329	1,169 0 68½	67	107 8 59½	...	...	7	707 16 40	10	94 26 20
Goa Territory ...	...	...	145	299 8 53½	...	...	...	...	1	10 20 0	146	314 20 53½	95	251 14 15	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total, S. D. and Goa ...	43	110 9 50	164	3 4 20 36½	175	101 30 24	1	3 32 40	83	53 7 52½	486	1,483 20 42	162	358 22 74½	...	...	7	707 16 40	10	94 26 20
Grand Total ...	45	111 10 51½	276	1,128 2 72½	559	151 27 72½	1	3 32 40	94	66 20 49½	971	2,692 5 62½	320	928 24 68½	2	3 34 20	8	777 13 40	21	122 31 41

Divisions.	Found on person of Smugglers.		Found Concealed.		Found on Animals.		Total.	
	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.
		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.
Northern Frontier.	35	1 20 71 $\frac{13}{16}$	5	0 5 32 $\frac{1}{8}$	...	.....	40	1 35 24 $\frac{3}{16}$
Southern Division.	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Total ...	35	1 20 71 $\frac{13}{16}$	5	0 5 32 $\frac{1}{8}$	...	.....	40	1 35 24 $\frac{3}{16}$

smuggling Rep ort of b r the Salt Department during the year 1897-98.

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SMUGGLING.				HOW CASES WERE DISPOSED OF.											REMARKS.
Miscellaneous.		Total		Number of persons arrested.	Number of persons released by the Department.	Number of persons prosecuted.	Number of persons convicted.	Number of persons acquitted.	Percentage of convictions on number prosecuted.	Total estimated value of Confiscations.	Fine in lieu of confiscated Property returned.	Actual purchase by re-instatement of confiscated Property.	Total of the two previous columns.	Fines imposed by Magistrates.	Real value of confiscated Property.	Rewards granted, if any.	
No.	Quantity.	No.	Quantity.														
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
	Mds. s. t.		Mds. s. t.							Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
315	650 20 29½	11	950 5 5½	477	6	471	435	34	92·4	3,123 0 7	61 0 0	1,477 12 10	1,538 12 10	1,350 0 0	3,062 11 11	1,038 12 0	
28	7 0 38	67	258 13 24	112	1	111	109	2	98·19	616 8 5	.....	0 11 9	0 11 9	150 0 0	616 8 5	852 0 0	
243	636 20 6½	105	1,209 19 10½	585	7	582	544	38	93·5	3,775 9 0	61 0 0	1,489 8 7	1,550 8 7	2,449 12 0	3,200	3,739 12 0	
216	199 34 27	320	1,166 5 16½	473	29	473	468	27	97·8	3,117 7 0	1,472 5 0	454 5 9	1,926 7 9	1,473 4 0	3,074 3 9	1,038 12 0	
51	33 6 33½	196	214 24 23½	276	22	181	173	8	95·57	807 5 4	.....	24 12 1	24 12 1	1 0 0	772 15 11	7 7 0	
207	233 0 6½	162	373 24 22	679	60	616	581	35	94·3	4,188 10 10	1,472 5 0	483 0 5	1,955 4 2	1,963 0 0	4,894 3 8½	2,038 12 0	
642	1,1	165	1,592 7 55½	1,068	70	1,188	1,130	70	95·9	3,992 3 10	2,005 3 6	2,121 0 3	4,024 12 9	1,473 4 0	3,775 7 1½	3,412 12 0	

OPIUM.

PROSECUTION AND CONVICTION BEFORE MAGISTRATES.

Number of persons arrested.	Number of persons released by the Department.	Number of persons prosecuted	Number of persons convicted.	Number of persons acquitted.	Number of persons tried in foreign territory, the result of whose trials has not been reported.	Percentage of convictions on number prosecuted.	Total estimated value of Confiscations.
							Rs. a. p.
40	3	37	36	1	.....	97 29	2,060 4 2½
...	...	...	...	...	... ...	... ...	.....
40	3	37	36	1	.....	97 29	2,060 4 2½

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COMMISSIONER'S REVIEW.

No. 5793 of 1898.

Bombay, 4th November 1898.

Submitted to Government in the Revenue Department. The report is dated 15th August 1898, but it was received in this office on the 2nd instant. The delay is apparently due to pressure of work at the Government Central Press.

2. The number of salt-works in operation during the year under report was 449 against 438 in the previous year. The increase is due to eleven small works opened at Sánikatta in place of outlying works closed.

Number of works in operation.

3. The subjoined table shows the opening and closing balances and the operations of the year under report compared with 1896-97 :—

Operations of the year.

	1896-97.				1897-98.			
	Pritchard Works Barágara Salt.	Bulsár Sea-salt.	Rest of Presidency Sea-salt.	Total.	Pritchard Works Barágara Salt.	Bulsar Sea-salt.	Rest of Presidency Sea-salt.	Total.
	Ind. Mds.	Ind. Mds.	Ind. Mds.	Ind. Mds.	Ind. Mds.	Ind. Mds.	Ind. Mds.	Ind. Mds.
Opening Balance	24,09,931	1,73,519	21,02,990	46,86,450	31,01,501	2,43,778	13,92,942	47,37,221
Manufactured	27,04,685	4,13,791	68,35,317	99,53,773	21,59,157	3,29,547	78,48,661	1,03,37,365
Total ...	51,14,616	5,86,310	89,38,297	1,46,39,223	52,60,658	5,73,325	92,31,603	1,50,65,586
Deduct Wastage	2,30,472	20,467	8,81,930	11,42,869	2,31,046	37,344	9,75,719	12,44,109
Balance ...	48,84,144	5,65,843	80,46,367	1,34,96,354	50,29,612	5,35,981	82,55,884	1,38,21,477
Removals Full Duty	17,81,911	3,22,965	62,61,121	83,66,097	17,98,207	3,06,194	63,91,117	84,95,518
Free or nominal Duty	1,032	.....	4,62,304	4,63,336	1,032	.....	5,00,554	5,01,586
Total ...	17,82,943	3,23,065	66,63,425	87,68,433	17,99,239	3,06,194	68,87,671	90,93,104
Closing Balance ...	31,01,201	2,42,778	13,82,942	42,27,921	32,29,973	2,29,787	13,68,213	47,37,973

4. The total quantity of salt supplied (including 3,05,067 maunds of imported salt) to the trade during the year was 93,98,271 maunds against 90,49,184 in the previous year, an increase of 3,49,087 maunds.

5. The loss and wastage on all kinds of salt was 12,44,109 maunds compared with 11,42,869 maunds in the previous year. The increase was in sea-salt and is attributed to heavy rains and over-estimation. The Acting Commissioner will make enquiries as to over-estimation.

6. The removals of Barágara salt were 17,99,339 maunds against 17,82,943 maunds in the previous year, an increase of 16,396 maunds, due chiefly to larger removals to the Central and the North-West Provinces. The Central Provinces which had been affected by famine in the previous year show an increase of 22,557 maunds, while the North-West Provinces and Oudh show an improvement of 44,496 maunds. The removals for home consumption were less by 16,983 maunds.

Barágara Salt.

7. The issues of sea salt were 72,93,866 maunds against 69,85,490 maunds in the previous year, an increase of 3,08,376 maunds :—

Sea Salt.

Distribution.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Indian Maunds.	Indian Maunds.
For local consumption	24,71,405	26,13,235
For export to—		
North-Western Provinces	.....	.....
Central Provinces	13,60,289	13,10,522
Central India	16,032	15,814
Nizám's Territory	5,66,380	5,61,954
Calcutta	5,78,239	5,41,249

Distribution—*continued.*	1896-97.	1897-98.
	Indian Maunds.	Indian Maunds.
Madras Presidency—		
British Malabar...	14,43,189	11,28,223
Rest of the Madras Presidency		3,54,974
Foreign Malabar	4,13,290	5,55,376
Mysore	1,36,666	2,12,519
Total ...	69,85,490	72,93,866

8. The exports to the Central Provinces fell by 49,767 maunds, but as stated in paragraph 6 above, the removals thereto from Khárághoda increased by 22,557 maunds. The system of payment of salt revenue on account of Barágara salt into the Treasuries outside the Bombay Presidency was introduced with effect from the 16th February 1898. This facility, though in force only for a short time in the year under report, appears to have improved the exports of Khárághoda salt to the Central Provinces. In the current year better results are to be expected. The exports to Calcutta were less by 36,990 maunds than in the previous year but more by 26,377 maunds than in 1895-96. The figures for British Malabar and the rest of the Madras Presidency are for the first time shown separately, paragraph 40 of the report. The removals to foreign Malabar, though more by 1,42,086 maunds than in the preceding year, are nearly equal to those of 1895-96. The increase of 75,853 maunds in the exports to Mysore is attributed to the probable fact that salt is transported to the Madras Presidency by rail through Mysore.

Government Resolution No. 4165 of 3rd June 1897.

9. Imported salt rose from 2,80,751 to 3,05,067 maunds, an increase of 24,316 maunds, owing chiefly to larger imports of Goa salt for the above-Ghát districts which had been short supplied in the previous year owing to scarcity in those districts and quarantine restrictions in Goa.

Imported Salt.

10. The number of pans at the Pritchard works was reduced from 550 to 525, and the outturn was 19,92,039 maunds compared with 20,90,930 maunds in the previous year. In paragraph 26 the Collector has explained that as sufficient allowance does not appear to have been made on account of wastage, a larger number of pans will be opened for the next two or three years to secure the requisite reserve of two years' demand.

Barágara Stocks.

11. The quantity of sea salt produced (excluding Bulsár salt) was 78,48,661 maunds against 68,35,317 maunds in the previous year which had been unfavourably affected by the early setting in of the monsoon and heavy rain and floods.

Sea Salt.

12. The following are the closing balances of all kinds of salt in the three years:—

Closing balances of all kinds of Salt.

	Maunds.
1897-98	47,27,973
1896-97	47,27,921
1895-96	46,86,450

13. The removals for consumption in the Bombay Presidency were 33,66,258 maunds, which gives an average rate per head of 11·58 lbs. compared with 11·09 lbs. in the previous year. The Collector is making enquiries as to the marked difference in the rate of consumption in Gujarát and the rest of the Presidency. The result will be awaited.

Rate of consumption per head.

14. The cost price of Barágara salt at the Main Stores, the Ahmedabad Depôt and the agencies and of Dharasna salt remained the same as in the previous year, *viz.* 1 anna 3 pies per Indian maund. At the Konkan works the average

Cost price of Salt at salt-works and agencies.

price was 1 anna 9 pies against 1 anna 10 pies per maund in the previous year. At Shiroda and Sanikatta it was 4 annas 1 pie and 1 anna 11 pies compared respectively with 3 annas 9 pies and 1 anna 9 pies in the previous year and 4 annas and 2 annas 9 pies in 1895-96.

Financial Results.

15. The financial results of the year under report and the previous year are shown in the following table :—

Imperial.

	Revenue.		Expenditure.		
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Salt	2,16,07,185	2,22,29,745	16,76,292	16,89,844	Salt.
Sea-customs ...	82,235	93,057	1,29,312	1,38,626	Customs.
Land-customs ...	76,031	78,580	280	2,593	Allowances.
A'bkári	12,78,238	14,62,581	33,016	28,946	Abkári.

Provincial.

Salt	68,890	52,876	13,975	14,007	Allowances.
Customs	10,382	8,861	11,005	9,649	Abkári.
Abkári	4,26,079	4,87,527	...	...	

Local.

Port Dues, &c. ...	81,359	84,349	1,10,156	93,235	Charges.

16. The Imperial revenue under Salt was more by Rs. 6,22,560, owing mainly to larger removals of salt consequent on the cessation of scarcity and the facilities given to traders by issue of passes exempting them from plague restrictions. Under Imperial Sea-customs the receipts increased by Rs. 10,822. The large increase in Abkári revenue is due to larger removals of liquor from Uran to Bombay. This is due to the plague scare not being so great in the year under report as in the previous year, and the people not leaving Bombay in such numbers.

Salt cases.

17. The total number of salt cases detected was 971 against 859 in the previous year, the percentage of convictions to the number of persons prosecuted being 93·9 compared with 94·67. The preventive arrangements on the Goa and Daman Frontiers continue to be satisfactory and efficient.

Kuda Salt Work.

18. As remarked by the Collector, the Kuda salt work in Dhrangadhra, where Barágara salt is made, is a source of danger to the British revenue. The subject is now engaging the attention of Government.

Early settlement desirable as regards goods coming from Káthiáwár.

19. It is hoped that an early decision may be arrived at as regards dutiable goods coming by land from Káthiáwár and especially from Káthiáwár ports to British territory.

Alteration in system of assessment.

20. The introduction during the year of the changed system of assessment of unalienated salt works resulted in a net profit of Rs. 19,162. The Collector's proposals for increased establishments are awaited.

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Concluding Remarks.

21. The Acting Commissioner has pleasure in bringing to the notice of Government the good services of the officers mentioned by Mr. Quin.

22. The working of the Department has been efficient and satisfactory. Mr. Jenkins was in charge throughout the year except 6 days. Government has several times acknowledged his valuable services to the Department. The Acting Commissioner may quote from a note by Sir James MacNabb Campbell, late acting Commissioner, "Mr. Jenkins has added another spason of admirable work. I agree with the Honourable T. D. Mackenzie that no Commissioner could desire to have a more helpful Collector than Mr. Jenkins."

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